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GETTING INVOLVED

Future Farmers Tracey James, Sammy Nix and Howard Gaddis erect sign to show MHS's participation in the county's school project--School Is a Family Affair.

As county project--

Schools promote family involvement

PARENTS, TEACHERS AND STUDENTS can look toward working more closely together this year as "School Is a Family Affair" is the motto for 1981-82 in Shelby County. The first taste of parent involvement is an open house for all Shelby County schools.

Open house will be held for all high schools Sept. 15. MHS's event gets underway at 7:30 p.m. Elementary schools will host theirs on Sept. 17. Open house for middle schools was held last night.

All aspects included

This project is designed to involve parents in every aspect of school life, from academics to athletics and band.

The open-house events held early in the school year are designed to pass on essential information to parents so school can

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Faculty adds 3 replacements

THREE NEW FACULTY MEMBERS joined the MHS staff during the summer.

A lifelong resident of Shelby and a UM graduate, Mrs. Teresa Dollar took over math and physics classes. She holds the position vacated by Mr. Jim Hermetz, now attending University of Alabama--Birmingham for a civil engineering degree.

Former majorette

While attending Shelby County High School, Mrs. Dollar was drum majorette. At UM, she received a math/business skills degree with honors.

She and her husband Jimmy reside in her hometown of Shelby.

New band director

Mr. Joe Glasgow, a music education major, replaced Mr. Jim Weese as band director.

A graduate of Lamar
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Aug. 25 brings new start

Shelby County schools' doors opened Tuesday, Aug. 25, marking the beginning of a new school year. MHS students gathered for a brief assembly before reporting to classes. Student Council president Beth Hughes welcomed incoming freshmen and newcomers. Principal Joe Perkins followed with thanks to those who helped get the year underway.

The freshman class posted the most on roll with five homerooms and 136 members. The tenth grade followed with 99. There were 95 seniors and 69 juniors on opening day. Three new faculty members settled into MHS life (See col. 1), and juniors and seniors helped freshmen in the Student Council-sponsored "buddy system."
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County schools adopt--(Cont.)

become a family affair.

The logo, "School Is a Family Affair," with the parents and child symbol, can be seen on every public school campus and on every major road into the county.

In addition, stores will dispense 25,000 flyers during the year. Teachers are displaying bumper stickers on their cars and wearing buttons printed with the slogan. All of these were donated by Shelby County businesses who support the program.

Award to be given

As an incentive for participation, a trophy and a prize of \$100 will be awarded to the school in each category with the largest percentage of parents and visitors. At MHS a coke party will also be given to the homeroom with the largest number of visitors.

Chairperson of this project is Dr. Norma Rogers, principal of Valley Elementary School.

"I am excited about it," says MHS Principal Joe Perkins, "because I feel we really do need to open the doors of the education process so we equally involve parents, teachers, and students."

Rising prices assault school; lunch prices jump

As students returned to school last Tuesday, they were faced with the cost of inflation.



Lunch prices have increased from 80¢ to \$1.10 this year. Reduced lunches are 40¢ and milk is 20¢ compared to the 30¢ and 10¢ prices of last year.

Visitors' lunches are \$1.50 while teachers pay \$1.20. Reductions of Federal Funds for the lunchroom program brought about the change.

Locker fees are \$5 instead of \$3 this year.

According to contract, Gorrie-Regan changes combinations on lockers each summer. A 65% increase on materials used by the company to change the combinations caused rental prices to rise.

Scores top county average

California Achievement Test scores for last year reveal that MHSers rank above the average student in Shelby County and the state as well as those across the nation. Principal Joe Perkins made the announcement last week.

On the national scale, the average score for sophomores was 10.7; state, 10.5; Shelby County, 10.8. MHS's 61 tenth graders taking the test scored 11.0.

MHS juniors had 82 students participating in the test. Averages in that grade were: national, 11.7; state, 11.2; Shelby County, 11.4; while the average at MHS was 12.1.

CAT testing areas are reading, spelling, language and mathematics.

It's News Downtown--

Drugstore moves for added space

Smitherman's Pharmacy has moved to a new location on Main Street. The new store, formerly Monk's Variety, has 900 more square feet.

The change was made over Labor Day weekend.

School opened Tuesday, Sept. 1, at the University of Montevallo with an enrollment of approximately 2600. This includes an increase in freshman enrollment.

A new dormitory, Peck Hall, opened with a 144 person capacity this fall.

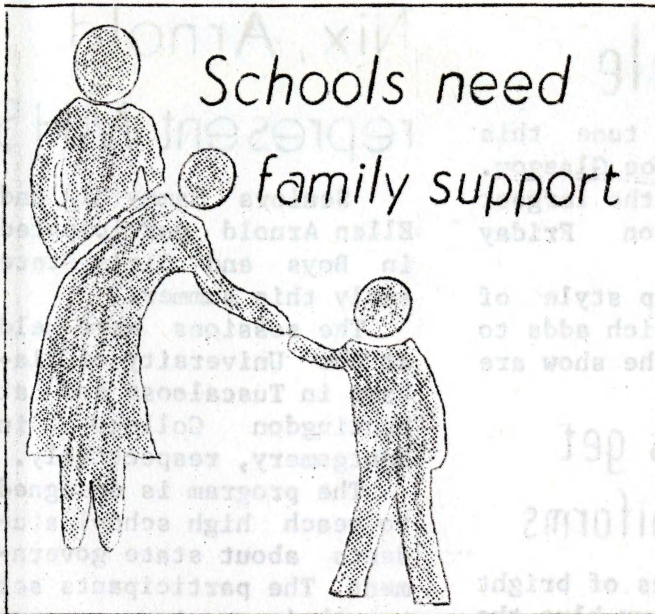


James F. Vickrey Day was celebrated by Montevallo citizens at Orr Park Aug. 5.

Former MHS coach, Charles Martin, left a position with the City of Montevallo this summer to join the teaching and coaching staff at Edgewood Academy this summer.

Mr. Martin will teach driver education and physical education as well as work with football, basketball and golf.

He retired as MHS's driver education teacher in 1979.



Principal greets all

I join the faculty in a warm welcome to Montevallo High School.

I want to urge each of you to put forth your best effort during the next nine months. Your success and happiness will directly coincide with the effort you are willing to give.

Set some goals. You need to know where you are going. Be willing to work toward reaching the goals you set.

Become involved in school life. Join clubs and activities; become a part of this school community. Each one of you has something positive to contribute.

Develop pride in Montevallo High School and in your daily life. Be proud to be a contributing citizen of the school.

Again, welcome, and have a good year.

Joe Perkins
Principal

Board members earn praise

Board of education members are commended for their campaign to promote a sense of responsibility toward schools. The educating of students has often been left to the teachers.

Parents should take a part in the education of their children and support the schools. This can be done by attending PTA meetings, taking part as athletic and band boosters or volunteering to be chaperones, lunchroom workers and/or teacher/office aides.

Home environment can also be supportive by encouraging students to do well in class.

Class sells paper

Students in journalism class are now selling subscriptions for SPOTLIGHT.

Buying a subscription saves money, as the price is only \$1.75 per semester or \$3 a year.

It also insures that students will receive every issue of SPOTLIGHT.

Students may buy a subscription from any journalism student or from teacher Cathy Bearden.

Teacher commends group

As a teacher at Montevallo High School I would like to commend the cheerleaders for their performance at Friday night's ballgame.

They started the game with high spirits and maintained them throughout the night. I also think cheerleader sponsor, Miss Melissa Martin, deserves special recognition for her work with these girls. As a former cheerleader sponsor, I know the hard work and long hours that go into planning and practicing for the pep rallies and ballgames.

I would like to say thanks and--Connie, Debra, Gretchen, Robyn, Tanya, Donna, Felecia, Lori, Meredith and Pam--KEEP UP THE GOOD WORK.

Delilah Robinson

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Band displays new style

TROUBADOURS ARE MARCHING to a different tune this year under direction of new band director Joe Glasgow. With new uniforms, a re-vamped show and the largest number ever, 116 marchers take the field on Friday nights with a different look and sound.

New director Joe Glasgow added a corp style of marching and a different field entrance which adds to the different appearance. Songs used for the show are Pictures at an Exhibition, a drum feature, Higher and Higher and Ice Castles.

Preparation for the show began July 27 when senior Taylor Lawrence led a marching clinic for freshmen.

Practice for the entire band started Aug. 3 under field supervision of Paul Spicer, drum major.

Faculty -- (Cont.)

County High School in Vernon, Mr. Glasgow was a 5-year All-Stater on trumpet.

He graduated Summa Cum Laude and first in his class at the University of Montevallo in May 1981.

Mrs. Mary Harvard is the new teacher of exceptional children with learning disabilities.

She transferred here from Elvin Hill Elementary School in Columbiana after MHS qualified for the unit.

Mrs. Harvard holds a BA degree from Georgia Southwestern College in elementary education and a ME in learning disabilities from the University of South Alabama.

Due to smaller enrollment, MHS lost a teacher unit. Mrs. Jennifer Williams was transferred to Pelham High. Mr. Willie Turner was also moved to PHS after special education funds for Montevallo were reduced.

Troubadours get colorful uniforms

With splashes of bright orange and navy blue the Troubadours marched onto the field Friday night sporting new uniforms.

Navy pants with vertical white stripes were topped by orange shirts featuring a diagonal stripe. White cummerbunds and ascot ties added the final touch.

The 97 instrumentalists were outfitted by Taylor Company from Leeds. Their new attire is the first in nine years for the Troubadours.

New staff works--

'Montala' shares memories

"Treasure Those Memories" is the theme of the 1980-81 MONTALA, distributed on the second day of school. It was the first annual to be put together by a daily class.

During the opening day assembly editor Clare Golsen (MHS '81) announced the dedication of last year's annual to English/history teacher Barbara Belisle.

Plans for the '82 yearbook have begun under the instruction of librarian Melissa Martin. Senior Kenny Pruitt is editor.

Nix, Arnold represent MHS

Seniors Sammy Nix and Ellen Arnold participated in Boys and Girls State early this summer.

The sessions were held at the University of Alabama in Tuscaloosa and at Huntingdon College in Montgomery, respectively.

The program is designed to teach high school students about state government. The participants set up their own town governments and elected its officials. Later in the week, county and state positions were filled.

Both groups toured the state capitol in Montgomery and held mock legislature sessions while there.

The MHS representatives were selected by the faculty from the '81 junior class. Boys State is sponsored by the American Legion; Girls State, by the American Legion Auxiliary.

Juniors Sally McMillan, assistant editor, and Lori Weiss, business manager, will also lead in production.

Mr. David Turner, Taylor Publishing Company representative, talked to the yearbook staff last Friday constructing the MONTALA.

Kenny praises, "This year's staff has a lot of hard workers and I am anticipating a good annual." The publication class meets in small groups throughout the day.



To one of the top--

Mr. Weese built band

by Taylor Lawrence

BAND AT MHS TOOK ON A NEW LOOK when Mr. Joe Glasgow received the director's baton. "With 117 members to work with and a tradition of excellence, Mr. Glasgow's job is surely going to be tough," comments former headman James Weese. But when did that tradition start?

Ten years ago when Mr. Weese came to MHS, 55 students from grades 8-12 comprised the marching band. Enrollment in the band program had declined steadily in preceding years.

Moved from Calera

With a BME from the University of Montevallo, Mr. Weese transferred from Calera High School. He recalls, "The first year I had to march 8th graders to add numbers. There wasn't an intermediate band, and I feel that a student needs at least two years with his instrument before he is ready to march."

Mr. Weese built an intermediate 8th grade band. He also began to build the numbers in the entire program.

As the band grew, so did the awards. During his 10 years at MHS, the band became known as the Marching Troubadours.

Earned top ratings

The band earned superior ratings in numerous marching contests, including the Midsouth, Central Alabama, Mid Alabama, Southeastern States, Oxford, Berry Invitational, Tarrant and Miracle Strip Marching festivals.

Not once did the concert band fail to pass district competition. They also posted five years of "straight one's" at state competition with Mr. Weese as their director.

In 1980, state representative Curtis Smith presented Mr. Weese a commendation from the Alabama State Legislature, citing the MHS band as one of the finest in the state.

The band, under Mr. Weese, produced two records and represented the community in various functions around the state.

"Mr. Weese is to be

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Students act

"The Member of the Wedding," a play by Carson McCullers, will be presented by Shelby County Community Theater tomorrow at 8 p.m. and Sunday at 2:30 p.m.

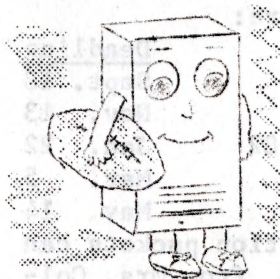
The performances will be at the Orr Park recreation building.

Main characters of the play include freshman Elise Stewart and English teacher Barbara Belisle. Sophomores Tracy Smitherman and Maya Metz and Monique Van Landingham (MHS '79) also have parts.

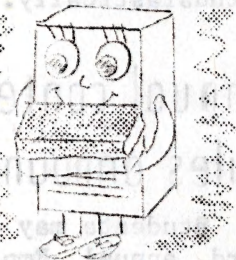


Locker Laughs--

Grammar pun brings laugh



As summer ends
And school begins,
We're reunited
With our friends.
The band and 'Dogs
Are "super hot,"
And Locker Laughs
Still hit the spot.



Second period English students were discussing the parts of speech.

When the teacher asked for the definition of a relative pronoun, junior Van Hawks replied, "It's a pronoun that describes your relatives."

Last Thursday's lunch included bologna sandwiches. After teacher Don Benton read the menu to his homeroom, he commented to several students, "I won't have any problem telling 5th period they're full of bologna today."

While working on headlines and their count in journalism class, junior Donna Glosson was trying to find a fitting one for junior Van Hawk's Locker Laugh.

"How about 'Bird cracks a joke?'" Donna asked.

After the band finished a poor job of playing the National Anthem during band practice, director Joe Glasgow yelled, "That was a national disaster! You bunch of communists-- you kept 'russian.'"

Freshmen like 'new school'

WHAT'S NEW? Well, for some freshmen high school is new. This year Montevallo High School welcomed 136 freshmen. For these students, Aug. 25 will be a day to remember.

Classrooms were filled with compliments and complaints. Freshman Bert Lott comments, "There are not enough teachers, but there is a wider variety of subjects to choose from."

Most freshmen were delighted by their new surroundings. "I think it's fun," exclaims Elizabeth Yost; "I just love it."

"Right now, school is confusing," declares freshman Delanie Jones.

"I enjoy being at high school most of the time--except when I get lost," admits a smiling Tammy Beane.

Freshmen in general have formed the opinion that Montevallo High School is more exciting than was middle school.

"High school is a new experience, and I really enjoy it," says Ben Peete enthusiastically.

Annual contest rules announced

Students may enter the 33rd annual Employ the Handicapped Poster Contest. The theme is "Ability-not Disability-Counts. Hire the Handicapped."

Posters must be 14"x18" with preferably a one-half inch border and done in not more than two colors.

Entries are divided into 3 categories at the state levels: grades 7-8, grades 9-12, and undergraduate college students.

State winners in each category will be entered in national competition.

Art teacher Ann Parker will furnish more information.

Registration set for ACT exams

Guidance counselor Colleen Colley urges students interested in participating in the American College Testing Program to check test dates and register early. Dates for the ACT assessment and registration deadlines are:

Date	Deadline
Oct. 17	Sept. 18
Dec. 12	Nov. 13
Feb. 20, 1982	Jan. 22
Apr. 3	Mar. 5
June 12	May 14

Registration packets can be obtained from Mrs. Colley in her office.

City relocates gas pump

Buses are being gassed at MHS in a different location this year. The school's gas pump was moved due to a requirement listed in a city ordinance.

Instead of being beside the school on Valley Street, the pump now stands alongside the bus parking lot. The ordinance stated that gas pumps must be "at least ten feet from the curb."

According to Principal Joe Perkins, the city helped with the change which gives drivers a convenient place for gassing that will not block school traffic. He also noted that buses can drive by the pump to make refueling easier.

Few attend for summer

Forty-seven students and three faculty members composed MHS's smallest ever summer school this year.



Mrs. Barbara Belisle taught the combined English class, and Coach Kurt Pnazeck instructed combined history classes.

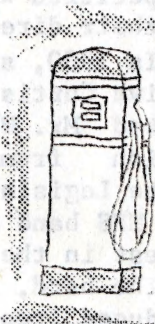
Mr. Joe Perkins served as principal. While Mr. Perkins attended a two-week National Guard camp, history teacher Don Benton took over the top job.

It's a Bearden boy!

English teacher Cathy Bearden is the mother of an 8 lb. 19 in. baby boy.

Wesley Andrew, nicknamed Andy, was born May 30, 1981, at 1:03 a.m. at Baptist Medical Center--Montclair.

Mrs. Bearden also has two older sons, Len, 4, and Lane, 20 months.



Boosters plan future works

Senior Taylor Lawrence's parents, Jimmy and Nancy Lawrence, head the Band Boosters as president and vice president.

Other officers include sophomore James Carter's mother, Susan, secretary; and Mr. Elmer Klemenc, senior Mary's and sophomore Kay's father, treasurer.

Plans of the organization include taking care of band expenses and paying installments on band debts for new uniforms and various instruments.

The boosters plan to raise money by having yard sales and operating a concession stand at football games.

The group meets on the second Monday each month.

Classes write

Students wrote friendly letters to parents this week, inviting them to open house at MHS Sept. 15. This was done in English classes.

"This was a skills activity also," says principal Joe Perkins.

Fair to be held Sept. 14-19

Columbiana will host the 32nd annual Shelby County Fair Sept. 14-19. It will be sponsored by the Kiwanis Club of Columbiana, Inc., and by the Alabama Agricultural Center Board. The fair will open at 5:30 p.m. daily. Advance ride tickets can be purchased at most high schools in the county.

The county's Miss Alabama Agriculture Pageant and Talent Find, also part of the fair, will be held Sept. 14 at 7 p.m. in Shelby County High's auditorium.

On Tuesday, Sept. 15, the 4-H Dog Show will be held at 6:30 p.m. Wednesday is Family Night, with all students under 19 being admitted free. The 4-H Dairy and Beef Heifer Show is scheduled for Thursday.

Big buddies help frosh

by Beth Hughes

Typically, a freshman's first day at high school is a bit un-nerving. While many are excited, many more are nervous. This year, though, things were made a little easier for the new students by the Big Brother Program, sponsored by the Student Council.

Various juniors and seniors were designed by the Student Council to act as big brothers or big sisters for the new freshmen. Duties included showing students around the school, giving directions, getting the freshmen involved in school activities and, most of all, being friends and making the new class feel a part of Montevallo High School.

Senior Ellen Arnold comments, "I think it's a great program. It gets the students acquainted with the school and assures them there will always be someone to turn to."

Under direction of Beth Hughes, the Student Council is also working on several other projects. These include organizing a pep club, painting the goal posts at the stadium, handling several sock hops and keeping the supply store open.

New representatives have already been named, with each homeroom having one appointed and one elected SC member.



Donations buy new book covers

Book covers for all MHS students to use on their textbooks should arrive soon according to Principal Joe Perkins.

Highlighted with a Bulldog, the blue and white book jackets will be issued to all three Montevallo public schools.

Donations for the purchase of the 6,000 covers were collected from various businesses.

"Students will be requested to use the book covers," Mr. Perkins says, "...especially on the new books."

Intern aids school

Mrs. Sylvia Davis, a graduate student at the University of Montevallo, is serving as intern counselor under the direction of counselor Colleen Colley.

Gaining experience in the occupation is the purpose of the intern program.

As group re-organizes--

Team has 2 returnees

AFTER A TWO-YEAR ABSENCE, the Lady Bulldogs' volleyball team returns to MHS. Seniors Tanya Staffney and Debra Tyus are the only players from the original team. Joyce Stewart, Mary Chism and Patricia McPhatter are other seniors on the squad. Juniors Lynn Pickett and Vicki Williams, sophomore Tabatha McCary and freshmen Ellen Frawley and Lorene Gentry complete the varsity.

Junior varsity members are freshmen Carol Paschel, Pam Hedgepath and Annette Fletcher, 8th graders Laura Arnold, Amy Knox, Stephanie Mann and Karla Hawks and 7th graders Amy Bice and Meg Perkins.

Practice starts early

The Lady 'Dogs have been practicing since Aug. 3. Varsity coach Dot Bishop comments, "There's a lot of skill to be developed and a very young team."

Basketball coach Sue Wilson will coach the junior varsity.

New uniforms

The varsity has new blue shorts to wear with the original orange and blue shirt. Juniors will dress out in the orange shorts.

Before being disbanded, the earlier volleyball teams won the county title 4 consecutive years, '74-'78, and the state championship in '78.

Here are the schedules through September.

Varsity

Sept. 15 Calera-MHS 7:00 H
MHS-Br'wood 8:00H
17 Chelsea-MHS 7:00
MHS SCHS 8:00
(At Columbiana)
23 Bibb Co. 6:00 H
24 Chelsea 6:00 H
29 Thompson TBA T

Jr. Varsity

Sept. 3 T'son-Calera 5:00
Calera-MHS 6:00
THS-MHS 7:00
(At Thompson)
8 Br'wood 5:00 H
10 T'son 5:00 T
17 Simmons-MHS 4:00
Hew.-T'sville-
6:00 (at Sim.)
24 Calera 4:30 T

JV goal is high

The junior varsity must win the remainder of its football games if they are to match the record of last year's Bullpups (5-1).

Having won one game and lost one already this season, the 'Pups, coached by Coach David Bailey, has the following games left on their schedule:

Sept. 17	Chelsea	H
24	Pelham	T
Oct. 1	Calera	H
8	Shelby Co.	T
15	Briarwood	T

Mr. Hughes heads Boosters

New officers for the 1981-82 Athletic Boosters were recently chosen. Mr. Bobby Hughes, father of freshman Trey Hughes, was named president, with Dr. Joe Brindley, father of freshman Andy Brindley, as vice president.

Senior Mike Peacock's mother, Mrs. Jimmie Peacock, was elected secretary, and Mr. John Blackwell, sophomore Taylor Blackwell's father, was named treasurer.

Several Booster projects have already been completed. Members of the organization cleaned up the football stadium, cut the grass on the field and got the concession stand in working order for the current season. They are currently working on the completion of the field house at the stadium.

They and the band boosters also sold barbecue plates at the Labor Day celebration at Orr Park.

MHS to play county foes

Coach Richard Gilliam's Bulldogs will face four more Shelby County teams this season, having lost the opener to a "big" Calera team 24-6.

Others on the MHS schedule are Shelby County, Thompson, Chelsea and Vincent.

The Wildcats of SCHS have a new coach with 16 seniors and a veteran quarterback Ronald Benton.

Thompson will be strong with their 6 seniors and an experienced backfield, counting heavily on the talented Arthur Johnson.

Chelsea will depend on quickness and offense, but Hornet coach, Roger Hibbs, says he is "worried about their lack of depth."

Last year's county champion Vincent has experience, with 16 seniors returning, and will have a large line, ranging from 180 to 205 lbs. According to Coach Harold Garrett, they will be depending mostly on their defense.

Bulldog Growls--

Athletics adds volleyball

by Lessie Gaddis

Even though Title IX, which says that high schools are required to have athletics for girls, is what forced the issue, it is good to have another program for girls at MHS.



Especially since the latest addition is the volleyball team, back after a two-year absence. This gives the girls a choice of sports since basketball was revived last year.

It also gives girls the chance to show their abilities in sports as well as in band and cheerleading.

With all the female talent here at Montevallo, this has increased the number of students participating in sports and will also better the chance of accomplishing future goals set by the coaches and players at MHS.

Cheerleaders rate superior

"Yell, jump, smile" were the words in the minds of the MHS cheerleaders as they earned four superior ribbons and a spirit stick certificate at summer clinic.

The event was held at Auburn University Aug. 3-6, with approximately 75 squads attending.

Evaluations were held every night after a day of classes which included

Bulldogs face local teams

by Lessie Gaddis, Steve Glosson

Two 3-A county foes await the Bulldogs in the next two weeks. Tonight, the 'Dogs travel to Shelby County High (0-1) and next week they go to Alabaster to meet the Thompson Warriors (1-1).

The 'Dogs will try for revenge when they meet the Wildcats tonight. Last year's battle ended in a dismal 40-23 home loss for MHS. A long string of victories by the 'Dogs ended in '78 when they lost 12-0 to the 'Cats. The Bulldogs have lost since then.

In the 'Cats opening game against Pelham this year, offense was a problem as they fell 9-0 to the Panthers. Daron Burns stood out on defense though losing.

The Warriors also have a long winning streak over the Bulldogs. Not since 1974 has Montevallo topped the Redmen; that year the 'Dogs edged them 30-28. Last year Thompson took a 34-6 victory.

Thompson is led by the running of Arthur Johnson, a junior who gained over 1,500 yds. last season. After defeating Jemison on opening night, the Warriors fell 7-0 to Bibb County last week.

JV loses despite early lead

After building up a 14-0 first-half lead, Montevallo junior varsity couldn't hold on, and dropped a 20-14 decision to the baby Tigers at West Blocton in their opening game last week.

Tailback Tommy Morris, leading rusher for this season opener for the Bullpups, scored the first touchdown. He is an 8th grader at Montevallo Middle School.

Freshman quarterback and free safety Trey Hughes picked off a pass and ran 52 yards for the second MHS score.

Ricky Gaddis went in with the extra points.

"Fumbles caused the juniors to lose the game in the second half," says their coach David Bailey.

However, it was a different story this week for the Bullpups as they fought the junior Warriors of Thompson for an 8-0 victory at Montevallo.

Morris and Hughes were again standouts for MHS.

exercise, gymnastics, pom-pom, stunt-building and cheers and chants.

Sponsor Melissa Martin also received a superior ribbon by participating in classes and performing in a skit with other sponsors.

The girls did a good job and the newcomers especially showed great initiative while performing," comments head Connie Harris.

El-Mid News--

Schools add new teachers

Montevallo Elementary School has grown this year with an enrollment of 645 students.

Two new teachers and an assistant principal were added. They are Mrs. Sharon Anderson, 1st grade; Mrs. Sheila Copeland, 4th grade; and Mrs. Betty Edwards, assistant principal.

Students at MES are having pictures taken today.

Open house will be held Sept. 17, and the annual greeting card sale begins Sept. 22.

School opened with an enrollment of 331 students and one new teacher at Montevallo Middle School.

Mr. Eddie Spears (MHS '72) was hired for a 6th grade history position.

A student government is being organized at MMS. It is set up basically like the MHS student council.

Miss Jill Snyder, 8th grade English teacher, is chairman, with Mr. Randy Whealton, 7th grade English teacher, and Mr. Eddie Spears, 6th grade history teacher, as assistants.

Mr. Weese built band -- (Cont.)

commended for an outstanding job as band director and teacher," praises Principal Joe Perkins.

With the larger band came more duties and time consuming chores. Mr. Weese requested an assistant director to maintain the high quality of performance.

Since the enrollment was not large enough for the extra teacher, his request was denied. "I really miss the band," closes Mr. Weese, now managing a retail business, "but it was getting to be more than I could handle. Mr. Glasgow has done an outstanding job so far."

Following opening loss--

Montevallo strikes back

After a disappointing 24-6 opening night loss to Calera, the Bulldogs found new life and a strong running backfield to down Francis Marion 18-6 last Friday night at Fisher Stadium.

The 'Dogs showed they could win with the offense being led by fullback J. J. Moore's 11 carries for 107 yards. Moore scored two touchdowns--one a 3-yd. dive, the other a 4-yarder.

Chism averages 9.1

Tailback Jeff Chism, a sophomore, had 91 yards in 10 carries--one for a touchdown from 9 yards out.

In evening their record at 1-1, Montevallo marked up 17 first downs to 11 for the visiting Rams. In total offense, the 'Dogs chalked up 357 yds. while the Rams had 145.

Concentration

Coach Richard Gilliam comments that the players showed a "lot of class in their win." He adds that to beat Marion they had to "work on their concentration and tackling."

Fumbles costly

Fumbles was the name of the game as the Bulldogs kicked off their season Aug. 28 at Fisher Stadium. With Calera winning 24-6, the 'Dogs lost 6 of 12 fumbles, and Calera, 3 of 5.

With leaders Mark Jones and Lloyd Pickett the MHS defense earned Coach Gilliam's praise for holding Calera to a 2.8 yd. rushing average.

Gaddis leads

Howard Gaddis was the Bulldogs' leading rusher with 58 yds. in 10 tries.

Chism showed quickness with a 6.1 average--55 yds. in 9 carries.

The Bulldogs rushed 37 times for 124 yards, while the Eagles had 50 for 140 yds. Neither could establish a passing attack.

JV is winner; varsity falls

Junior varsity volleyball came up with a victory, while the varsity suffered defeat in their opening games of the season last week.

The varsity traveled to Vincent Sept. 1, where they lost the first two games 15-12, 15-12.

Patricia McPhatter made 8 points in each game.

Playing in a tri-match at Thompson, the juniors sealed in two victories, Shelby County 11-15, 15-1, 15-10 and Thompson 13-15, 15-10, 15-10.



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Lawrence attains semifinalist position

SENIOR TAYLOR LAWRENCE has been named a semifinalist in the National Merit Scholarship competition. He entered the competition by taking the PSAT last year.

The semifinalists represent the top half of one percent of their state's high schools' senior classes. Taylor is the only representative in Shelby County from a public school.

Finalists must qualify

Before he can qualify for a merit scholarship, Taylor must advance to finalist standing. This means he must be recommended by his principal, submit records demonstrating high academic standing, score high on a qualifying examination and supply a self-description of his activities and extracurricular accomplishments.

Scholarships given

If Taylor joins the finalists, he will compete with about 13,500 others for over 1,500 nonrenewable National Merit \$1,000 scholarships as well as about 3,500 renewable ones.

A committee of experienced college admissions officers and secondary school counselors will select the finalists.

Selection will be based on abilities, accomplishments and personal qualities important during and after college.

About 90% of all semifinalists are expected to become finalists. Names of winners will be announced in April.



THERE YOU ARE!

Principal Joe Perkins and senior Taylor Lawrence look over the list of National Merit Scholarship semifinalists. Taylor was recently named a competitor for the scholarships.

Bands march for comeros

In approximately three weeks Montevallo's Marching Troubadours will be on television in a "Battle of the Bands." Metrospect, a weekly production, will do a segment on rival bands, using films of the Troubadours' and Thompson's Pride of the South band's shows from last week's football game at Thompson. These two are the biggest bands in Shelby County.

Metrospect, shown Monday at 6 p.m. on channel 10 and Saturday at 5:30 a.m. on channel 6, is produced by ETV at the University of Montevallo. Mr. Karl Perkins, father of seniors Robyn and Ruth Perkins, is its host.

'EDITH' featured on floats

All four classes at MHS are preparing floats for a schoolwide competition in the Oct. 3 parade that kicks off Fire Prevention Week (Oct. 4-10). Each float now under construction must display this year's theme, "EDITH"--Exit Drills in the Home.

Competition will be limited to MHS classes, with the winning class receiving a trophy from Montevallo Fire Department and a coke party from the school.

In Open House--

MHS wins county contest

Boasting a 52.4 percentage of parents in attendance, MHS won the county Open House contest and received a \$100 prize for the school's general fund.

The Shelby County Board of Education held the competition to help promote family awareness in schools.

In the middle school division, Montevallo Middle came in third with an average of 52.2%. Riverchase Middle was on top with a 68.3% average.

Montevallo Elementary had 79% attendance, while Valley Elementary School won the county contest with an average of 124.9%. (200% was possible.)

At MHS, parents followed students' daily schedules to learn about the classes in which their children were involved. Class winner at MHS was Miss Melissa Martin's homeroom, with an average of 90.9%.

Mr. Doug Morris' homeroom was second with 83.3%.

"I really appreciate the students who helped in getting their parents to attend. Since then, parents have been making it a point to find out more about school affairs," MHS principal Joe Perkins comments.

Juniors sponsor fund raising event

Juniors, led by class officers, began their annual magazine sale last week. The campaign will run for several weeks.

A goal of \$4,000 has been established for the sale which features magazines, records and tapes. Individual homerooms have minimum goals of \$1,167.

Profits will go for the Junior-Senior Prom, which the 11th grade sponsors each April.

Daily scores are posted on a chart in the foyer.

Reports are due

One week from today, Oct. 2, the first six weeks grading period will end. Report cards will be given out the following Thursday, Oct. 8, during a special afternoon homeroom period.

It's News Downtown--

Church holds Homecoming

Montevallo First United Methodist Church is celebrating its third annual Homecoming, Sunday.

The occasion will be a regular worship service, followed by a dinner on the grounds. There will also be a musical presentation of "Down by the Creekbank," by the children of the church.

Montevallo's only theater has reopened under its original name. The Strand was bought by Mr. Carl Love.

Movies are shown on Thursdays-Sundays at 7:30 p.m. Price is \$3.50 for adults; \$2.50, children.

PTA offers discount rate

Alabama Parent Teacher Associations combined with Six Flags over Georgia, Inc., to sponsor a series of PTA weekends at the amusement park.

Last week, homeroom teachers distributed discount coupons worth \$2.50 on the main gate price. They may be used on any weekend until Nov. 22, excluding Oct. 3.

This weekend is the last of a series of "County Fair Jamborees" to be held at the theme park. Special activities planned include an arts and crafts exhibition, bluegrass music, clogging and rodeo.



Dr. Joan Reick is Montevallo's newest dentist. Her office on Main Street opened late this summer. Her main campaign is for preventive dentistry.

Aldrich will host its first annual horse show tomorrow at 10 a.m.

The event also includes a rummage sale, a sledge hammer smash and games for children.

Tickets are \$2 for adults and \$1 for children. The affair is sponsored by the Aldrich Volunteer Fire Department.

Follow signs to Highway 10 West and turn off the Brickyard road.



Students must help

In order to keep MHS looking neat as always, students should remember to keep our school clean. At MHS, we are proud of our school as well as of the students.

One of the main ways students can help keep MHS clean is to keep classrooms neat. We can all participate in this by refraining from throwing scrap paper on the floor.

Teachers have the responsibility of keeping their rooms clean, since there are no CETA workers this year. So, in order to make the job easier for everyone, students should help out by doing their part also.

Plan now; survive later

Although most students know the fire drill exits for their school and practice using them regularly, how many of them have any safety drills planned with their families at home?

Every family should have exit drills worked out and practiced in case of fire in the home. This is necessary for the safety of every member, since time is so important when a fire hits.

School thanks caring parents

Students and faculty at MHS thank parents for their participation in the Montevallo Schools' Open Houses.

A large turnout of parents has shown true concern and support for the quality of education of their children. This has proven that in Montevallo school is definitely a "family affair."

Keep that spirit high, Bulldogs

Look up, Bulldogs! Don't ever look down!
You can still win that 2A crown.

Hey you, Bulldogs, lend me your ear;
Here's a note you need to hear.

So you've been beaten by some say the best,
But, now, Bulldogs, here comes the test.

Is your spirit as high as theirs?
Come on, Bulldogs, show them who cares.

If you work hard and pass this test,
You can be rated with the best.

The area crown is our goal--
And tonight's game's our Super Bowl!

Donna Glosson, Junior
Mae Glosson

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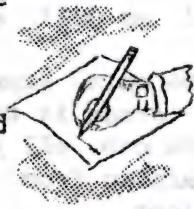
Shades Valley has workshop

Twenty-three students, all members of the publications class, attended an all-day yearbook workshop at Shades Valley High School Tuesday.

The event was sponsored by Taylor Publishing Co., who publishes the MONTALA for MHS.

The workshop covered basics of producing an annual. These included layout, theme, copy, photography, deadlines and other important facts.

MONTALA sponsor Melissa Martin says she is happy that Taylor handled the event. "Taylor can tailor everything to our needs," she joked.



Class selects

Freshmen elected class officers last week. Their leaders are Johnny Holsombeck, president; Paula Kimbrell, vice president; and Ricky Gaddis, secretary/treasurer.

SC sponsors sock hops

Tonight after the football game, there will be a sock hop in the auditorium. Admission is \$2 for couples and \$1.50 for singles. Members of the Student Council are sponsoring the dance to raise money for Homecoming. The Aug. 28 sock hop netted more than \$130.

Another dance will be held during basketball season according to SC president Beth Hughes.

Several new activities are planned for the sock hop tonight. There will be a chance to win a dance with one's favorite football player or cheerleader and free T-shirts. Shelby World of Music will provide music.



From the library--

Readorama helps in fight

by Michael Staggs

Librarian Melissa Martin announces the 1981-82 Leukemia Society will lift off its annual Readorama Oct. 2-30. The event will inspire students to read more and will benefit the search for the cure of leukemia.

Students can receive sponsor forms from Miss Martin on Oct. 2. Reading will begin Oct. 6.

"This year we want to raise more money...because it's a worthy cause," declares Miss Martin.

"Last year's participants raised \$170.90; I want more students to really get involved," Miss Martin adds.

Prizes include certificates for all participants and T-shirts for all who raise \$25 or more.

Also, a portable radio will be given to the student in each school who raises the most money and to the student who reads the most books.



Registration dates set for SAT exoms

Seniors interested in taking the Scholastic Aptitude Test (SAT) have six times to take the test.

Like ACT, SAT is also a college entrance exam, required by certain scholastic programs.

Test dates and deadlines for registration are:

Date	Deadline
Nov. 7	Oct. 2
Dec. 5	Oct. 30
Jan. 23, 1982	Dec. 18
Mar. 27	Feb. 19
May 1	Mar. 26
June 5	Apr. 30

Registration forms may be picked up in the guidance office.

Fire chief speaks to MHS students

Captain Karl Perkins from the Montevallo Fire Department visited MHS Sept. 9, to speak to an all-school assembly.

The main topics of Mr. Perkins' presentation were Fire Prevention Week, Oct. 4-10; a float contest for the annual parade, and an explanation of EDITH, the theme of Fire Prevention Week--"Exit Drills in the Home."

This theme is designed to educate families in proper procedures during fires in the home."

In college prep English--

Seniors clarify abstracts

by Ellen Arnold

Members of the senior class may very well be a group of future philosophers. Students in college preparatory English came up with some thought-provoking definitions of abstract terms.

Some examples and their authors are: "LOVE cannot be defined accurately; it is to each person its own meaning."--Michael Staggs.

"The only way to lose in a game of SUCCESS is not to try at all."--Robyn Perkins.

"True SUCCESS is measured by how many friends one can claim, a person's health, performance at the highest level and service to one's fellowman."--Rigg Parker.

"When one finishes something that he has started, it is called SUCCESS."--John Verbitski.

"What, then, is SUCCESS? It is to set a goal and achieve it."-- Gladys Brasher.

"FREEDOM is not FREEDOM if it infringes on another person's rights. Without this restriction, FREEDOM becomes greed, hatred, slander and slavery and ceases to exist."--Ellen Arnold.

"FREEDOM is not just the state of being free but also the duty to educate oneself on the blessings of FREEDOM and how to use it."--Sammy Nix.

"WIT is, perhaps, the only lifesaver thrown to a drowning world. . . . WIT is as necessary as oxygen to human beings."--Anna Lott.

"WEALTH is something that escalates, dominates and terminates man."--Renee Hoop.

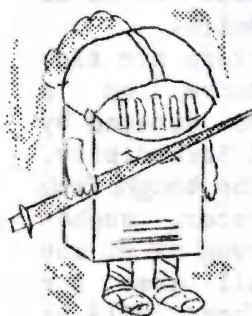
Teacher Delilah Robinson comments, "I was impressed by the thought that went into the definitions."

Picture day set

School Day pictures will be made Oct. 14. All students need to have a picture made for the yearbook at this time.

Locker Laughs--

Word play causes laugh



With cold weather near,
We'll soon be freezin',
As football tonight
Reaches mid-season.
Five weeks of school
We've all survived,
While Locker Laugh puns
Keep students alive.



While discussing knights and the code of knighthood in college prep English, teacher Delilah Robinson commented, "Knights are brave."

Senior Michael Staggs quietly added, "If they weren't brave, then they were 'week nights.'"

During 3rd period geometry class, junior Daniel Thompson asked senior Greta Riesener the reason in a geometry proof.

"I don't know," replied Greta. "Well, you should; you're a 'reasoner.'" Daniel quipped.

Officers named

National Honor Society met last Tuesday to elect officers. They are Gladys Brasher, president; Jeff Gentry, vice president; Ellen Arnold, secretary; and Ruth Perkins and Mike Peacock, treasurers.

NHS meets every first Tuesday of every month during the activity period under supervision of guidance counselor Colleen Colley.

Mrs. Colley says that she is planning to get the group involved in a number of activities during this school year.

Senior Jeff Gentry was paying his band fees. When asked, "Are you paying the whole \$20?" Jeff replied, "No, I'm delivering Siamese tens!"

Senior Jeff Gentry, on his way to physics, found the door locked and muttered, "I wonder where Mrs. Dollar is."

Fellow senior Sammy Nix replied, "She probably went to get change."

When the teacher said, "His dowry was 200 pounds," sophomore Larry Readal wanted to know, "Who weighs that much?"

Bulldog Grows--

Boosters give athletic help

by Lessie Gaddis

Sports would not be the same at MHS without the athletic boosters who support all varsity sports.



This is a big help with the pre-game meals, traveling expenses, officials and other things pertaining to athletics.

Mr. Bobby Hughes, president, has done a good job; and the other boosters are to be commended along with him.

The Boosters are still working on the field house, putting in the plumbing and insulation.

The group is also bringing big athletic personalities into the Montevallo area.

Group offers condy

New uniforms will be the result of the cheerleaders' sales. Their M and M's campaigns will last throughout the fall.

These profits and the profits from spirit ribbon sales combine for the \$600 total.

On volleyball court--

Varsity takes 2 at home

The girls varsity volleyball team evened its record at 2-2 in a tri-match at home with Calera and Briarwood Sept. 15. In the first game, the Lady 'Dogs whipped Briarwood 15-7, 15-3, then they defeated Calera 15-5, 15-5. Briarwood beat Calera 16-14, 15-8.

Here is the schedule for the remainder of the season:

Oct. 1	Jemison	T
7	Calera-Br'wood	
	MHS-Calera	
	MHS-Br'wood	
	(at Briarwood)	
8	MHS-Jemison	H
	MHS-Calera	H
10	County Meet at	
	Briarwood	
15	MHS-Calera	
	Vincent-MHS	
	Vincent-Calera	
	(at Calera)	
19	Pelham	H
20	Thompson	H
22	Area Meet at Vin-	
	cent	

Band parents plan yard sale

Band Boosters will hold a yard sale Oct. 3 at the former Sherman Holland lot. Money raised will help pay the lease on numerous band instruments.

Anyone wishing to contribute articles should contact Mrs. Betty Nash, Mrs. Elizabeth Peete or Mrs. Linda Smith.

The Boosters are also selling chances on a stuffed bear donated by the House of Serendipity. Chances can be bought from any Band Booster, sophomore Rita Brown or at any home football game for 50¢. The bear will be awarded at the Homecoming game Nov. 6.

The Band Boosters recently made over \$600 on a joint effort with the Athletic Boosters, selling barbecue plates.

The region playoff is set for Vincent Oct. 24; the state tournament will be held in Montgomery at Auburn University and Alabama Christian.

Coach visits

Mr. Gene Bartow, head basketball coach at the University of Alabama--Birmingham, spoke at MHS Tuesday. The audience was a combination of Athletic and Band Boosters.

Mr. Bartow, former UCLA basketball coach told the boosters that their main job was to promote school spirit and to support the respective organizations.

A reception was held in the auditorium afterwards with girls in the Honor Society serving as hostesses.

✓ Wilder places 5th in event

Two Montevallo students participated in a two-mile, cross-country run in Mountain Brook last Saturday.

Freshman Jennifer Wilder claimed fifth position out of 60 runners in the girls' junior high division. She took the same place in last year's event.

Another freshman, Kevin Colley, placed 75th out of 125 in the boys' junior high division.

Both students work on the distance run during their physical education classes.

Playing 2 games at home--

'Dogs to try for victories

by Lessie Gaddis

Coming off a humiliating loss to the Warriors at Thompson, the 'Dogs now have back to back home games with Chelsea and Jemison.

Tonight the Bulldogs entertain Chelsea in an area and county game. Since the Hornets have a lack of depth, the 'Dogs are looking for their first area victory of the season. Montevallo spoiled homecoming for Chelsea last year with a 24-7 come-from-behind win.

Last year the Hornets' record was 1-9, with the win being an upset of Calera.

Chilton County foe Jemison will visit next week. The Panthers are 2-1 thus far. After losing the opener to Thompson 29-6, the Panthers came back strong to take their next two games. Showing quickness and plenty strength, they defeated Central 47-10 and outscored Dallas County 38-6.

"They are improving every week. By mid-season they will be one of the best teams around," states Coach Richard Gilliam.

"Quarterback Wayne Childers is always a threat on the option."

Morris romps as JV takes win

Tommy Morris, an 8th grader, was the star of the show as the junior varsity ran over Chelsea juniors 27-6 at Montevallo last week.

Morris covered 100 yds. rushing as he scored two touchdowns--one was a 40-yd. run, the other a 60-yarder.

Andy Chism caught a 3-yd. pass to score one TD, and Ricky Gaddis ran over with the other.

"Both offense and defense played well. They all had a really good night," says their coach David Bailey of the juniors who totaled 300 yards on the ground.

PE shapes up summer damage

PE classes are winding up a three week general conditioning course. The unit will be completed in one week.

Students begin class with a two-minute warmup run. They also do stretching routines and calisthenics. Form running, basketball shuffle and barroba are next.

Coach Richard Gilliam comments, "The main reason for the course is to get the students back into shape after a long summer."

Senior Mike Boothe says, "The course sure does make you hot and sweaty."

Classes told about harm of alcohol

Rev. Jim Jackson, representative from Alabama Citizen Action Program, spoke to physical education classes Sept. 8.

He told the students that alcohol is the No. 1 killer. He also emphasized its dangerous effects on teenagers. Rev. Jackson preaches at Mount Signal Baptist Church near Chelsea.

County foes prove strength

Two county foes with 3A classification showed their size against the Bulldogs in the last two weeks as MHS lost football games to Shelby and Thompson.

Two quick Wildcat TD's cost the 'Dogs the game as Shelby won 23-6.

Defense strong

MHS's defense held the 'Cats to just 77 yards on the ground but Shelby's air attack got 110 yards on 8 receptions.

Junior Glenn Hamrick led the Bulldog defense with 19 points; Chuck Killingsworth scored 17.

Moore scores

Junior J.J. Moore scored MHS's only TD, going over from 1-yd. out. Jeff Chism was offensive leader with 58 yards in 9 tries.

Coach Richard Gilliam notes, "If we could have had all eleven guys working at the same time, we might have won."

THS pours it on

Thompson, led by "Big Chief" Arthur Johnson, demolished MHS 50-6 last Friday at Alabaster.

The hard-running junior rushed for 234 yards and scored 6 touchdowns.

Jeff Chism went over from 5-yds. out late in the fourth period with Montevallo's only TD.

El-Mid News--

Students learn safety

by Gladys Brasher

Montevallo police explained safety rules to the Montevallo Elementary's kindergarten classes last week.

Mrs. Barbara Hill's 5th grade class recently won the Super Sneaker Award. The contest was sponsored by the P.E. department, with an emphasis on the proper shoes required for physical activities.

To stress patriotism and pride the 4th and 5th grades are holding a flag raising ceremony every Thursday and Friday. The group recites the pledge and sings patriotic songs.

Mrs. Ann Hamilton's 1st grade class is learning patriotic songs.

Newly elected Montevallo Middle School Student Council officers are Stacey Hedrick, president; David Grimes, vice president; and Barry Studdard, secretary/treasurer.

They sponsored an Orange and Blue Day last Friday. Mrs. Jackie Martin's 3th grade won with the most people wearing the colors.

Chef skills seen

Family living classes attended a cooking school sponsored by Southern Living, Sept. 16, at the Civic Center in Birmingham. The group saw demonstrations of food preparation using new appliances.

Students attending received special gift bags of recipes and coupons.

Mrs. Emily Pendleton's 7th grade class won the dessert party for having the largest percentage of parents at open house.

Oct. 3 is the date set for the MMS garage sale. It will be held in the gym to raise money for the school's general fund.

Fines dropped

Deadline for overdue books is Oct. 1. After that date the fine will be 5¢ per overdue day.

Teachers learn by practicing

Four students from the University of Montevallo will be practice teaching at Montevallo High School Oct. 8-Dec. 17.

Miss Donna Smith will be working with English-journalism teacher Cathy Bearden.

Mr. Mike Dunn and Mr. Ron Potter will both help in the physical education department.

Mrs. Marjorie Saunders will be student teaching with English teachers Barbara Belisle and Ann Parker.

Odd mishaps felt by all

by Michael Staggs

It's been one of those months! Often, people experience moments of total chaos. Montevallo High School is not exempt from having those bad days.

Band students anxiously awaited the arrival of their new uniforms, only to discover that most of the attire had to be refitted.

They were also greatly disappointed to find that the manufacturer of the band hats had ceased their production.

No flags to wave

Another band unit, the flag corps, was dissatisfied in learning that the new flags would not arrive until half-way through the season.

Among other events, history students and teacher Johnnie McClain were surprised when an unexpected visitor turned up in their class. A mysterious Oriental man seated himself in the class preparing for history.

Why am I here?

After a series of ques-

tions, the man discovered he was enrolled at the University of Montevallo. Embarrassed, he made a hasty exit toward UM.

The start of school also brought a number of classic mishaps. Lost freshmen, fumbled footballs, mishandled punts, and sour notes all created their moments of confusion.

SPOTLIGHT has even had its share of misfortunes. Due to uncontrollable circumstances, the first issue, which is usually ready on the second Friday of the school year, was delayed one extra week.

Oh well, let's face it! It's just been one of those months!



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Report card style changes

REPORT CARDS WERE GIVEN OUT today in homeroom, and students may have noticed that a few changes have been made. The reports are designed for class grades and teachers' comments as those of the past. However, they also have spaces for conduct grades and individual class absences.

According to Principal Joe Perkins, the main reason for the additions is to establish better communication between students, teachers and parents. The conduct grades of "outstanding," "satisfactory" and "unsatisfactory" show students' behavior in each class. The class absence space notifies the parents if their child has "skipped" a class.

In addition, the cards have been increased in size to accommodate the changes and also provide room for a comment from the principal.



WHAT DID YOU MAKE?

Freshmen Paula Kimbrell and Paula Phillips compare their grades on the first report card of the year.

Band seeks top rating

Tomorrow the Marching Troubadours will perform for judging for the first time this year. They will compete with about 25 bands at the Mid-Alabama Marching Band Festival at Midfield High School.

Three judges will rank bands on marching and maneuvering skills and overall general effects. Bands of highest caliber earn superior ratings.

The Troubadours will also attend the Hoover Invitational Marching Festival Oct. 17 at Berry.

Troubadour director Joe Glasgow says, "We have the capabilities of a superior rating; it all depends on performance and attitudes of the band members."

At Career Day at UM--

Students investigate colleges

CAREER DAY, annually coordinated by guidance counselor Colleen Colley, will be held on the University of Montevallo campus, Oct. 13. Juniors and seniors from MHS and other area high schools will have the opportunity to speak with representatives from the state's major colleges and universities.

A central location, UM, was chosen to save college representatives traveling costs to several individual high schools. UM admissions directors Larry Peevy and Bill Cannon are organizing the event.

MHSers will go to UM at 8:30 to gather information from a variety of colleges. Until 10:00, students will be able to discuss plans with prospective colleges.

At 10:15, each branch of the armed services will have displays in the MHS auditorium and will be open for questions. Interested students will choose two branches to meet with in special sessions at 11:00.

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"I hope this year's event will prove as informative and successful as last year's," Mrs. Colley comments.

Juniors earn winning spot

Juniors were the winners of the float contest held during the Montevallo Fire Department's fire prevention parade in downtown Montevallo last Saturday.

Floats were judged by Mrs. Mary Harbour, Mr. W.T. Chichester and Mr. George Enzer, all residents of Montevallo. The floats were judged on their presentation of the theme, "E D I T H" --Exit Drills in the Home.

The winning float consisted of a burning house with a fire truck with firemen outside and a child climbing out the window.

The prize was a trophy provided by the Montevallo Fire Department.

PTA stresses responsibility

"Who's responsible for our youth?" questioned Dr. Sanford Colley in his address to the PTA Monday night.

Speaking at MHS, Dr. Colley presented ideas following the county school theme, "School Is a Family Affair."

He also presented a film, "Cipher in the Snow," which stressed that all are involved in the student's education.

In conclusion, Dr. Colley pointed out that teachers, parents, principals, bus drivers and counselors must combine to give a child a complete education.

Opinions asked

Fifty lunch surveys were recently distributed to a cross section of the student body by homeroom teachers. The forms were designed by the county lunchroom supervisor.

Suggestions and complaints made by students will be used in planning menus, serving lines, and dining areas on county, state and local levels.

Unusual virus gains attention

University of Montevallo health officials report that numerous students are currently affected by an unusual intestinal virus. The mild virus is categorized by intestinal cramps and diarrhea.

The infection was falsely reported as a "mysterious disease" because it is unnamed at present, according to Mrs. Jeanette Merijanian, director of UM infirmary. She adds that few of the thousands of strains of viral infections are labeled.

She also cautions that once a person is affected by the virus, proper diet and rest are needed to regain one's health.

Sale extended

Junior class magazine sales have been extended until Monday.

It's News Downtown--

Event benefits children's hospital

by Gladys Brasher

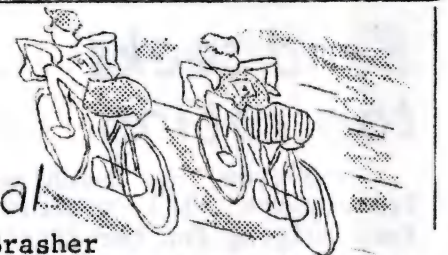
"Wheels for Life" is the theme of the bike-athon tomorrow in the UM Fuller parking lot.

The event will help the St. Jude Children's Research Hospital in Memphis fight children's diseases.

Mrs. Clifford Boothe of Pearidge is local chairman of the organization.

Story Hour for 4 and 5 year olds is being held at Montevallo Public Library by Mrs. Jane Clayton at 10 a.m. on the first Wednesday of each month.

Stories, films, games, and songs will be part of the 45-minute activity.

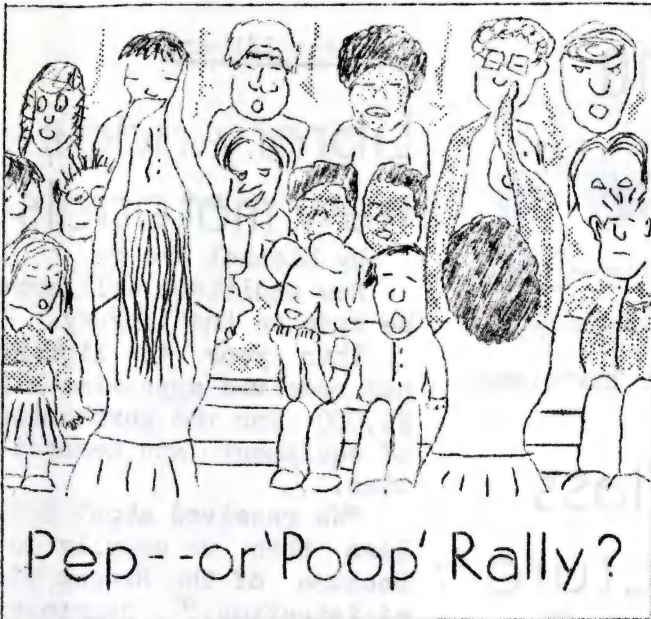


Jill White (MHS '81) has achieved a position on the UM cheerleading squad. She is a former head cheerleader and homecoming queen at MHS.

Soccer, youth judo and self defense and gymnastics are being to youngsters 6-15 by Montevallo Park and Recreation Board.

Registration ends today. Anyone interested in more information should contact Bill Vann at 665-7143.

Rochester's has a fresh look with new carpet, music system, paint and remodeled display windows.



Teachers show care

Too often, extra efforts on the part of the faculty go without notice or appreciation.

Many teachers and other faculty members give of their own time, and often patience, to serve as sponsors for various clubs, the school annual or school newspaper.

Certain teachers even hold special study sessions to aid their students after school hours.

Students realize that some of the things these people do for the students and the school are not required.

We thank these teachers for caring.

MHS lacks spirit, pride

Lack of spirit in Montevallo High School is a depressing picture, for instance, the majority of students at pep rallies display little, if any, spirit. The main purpose of these pep rallies is not only to encourage the football players to win but give them support.

Without this support, how can any team go out and play a successful game? If one is not going to cheer, then he need not come to the pep rally at all. If lack of spirit continues, the result will be no more pep rallies. As a student at MHS, I encourage every student to be proud of our school and show this by giving it the support and spirit it deserves.

Gretchen Riesener
Senior Cheerleader

Band needs contest support

Marching contests are comparable to state playoffs in football. While numerous schools bring caravans of supporters to boost their bands, MHS fans usually consist of a few parents, bus drivers and chaperones.

Spirit, pride and a loud round of applause as the band is announced, can add tremendously to the performance of the band.

The SPOTLIGHT staff encourages everyone to show their support for one of MHS's teams. Students, parents and merchants are urged to join the caravan beginning at 12:30 tomorrow and go to Midfield.

Budget cuts designed to help

Many criticize President Reagan's new budget without seeing the overall good the program will do.

Although the new plan will cut the lunch program and also reduce special education units, it should do an overall good turn for our country.

The cuts are designed to reduce inflation and allow the states to become more involved in local affairs.

It is time for the people of the US to get behind the administration, even if it means tightening our own belts a notch.

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Steers judged at Selma

Three MHS ag students competed at the Dallas County Fair in Selma Sept. 29. Senior Sammy Nix, junior Tracy James and freshman Alan Bice all finished in the top four places in their respective divisions.

Sammy's steer took first place in division 3 and received \$25 and a blue ribbon. Tracy and Alan competed in different divisions and both came in fourth.

Steers are usually divided according to weight into three divisions, but in this contest there were six classes.

Sammy, Tracy and Alan and several other ag students are preparing now for the Shelby County steer show.



English class hears lecture

Dr. Sid Vance from the University of Montevallo English department spoke to the college prep English class last week.

The class has recently been studying medieval literature, mainly Geoffrey Chaucer's Canterbury Tales.

Dr. Vance, an expert on medieval literature, lectured on the Nun's Priest Tale from the Canterbury Tales and treated the class by speaking in Middle English.

"It added a lot to the understanding of the Canterbury Tales," says senior Gladys Brasher.

Dr. Vance, originally scheduled for one day of lecture, came both Tuesday and Thursday because the class enjoyed his discussion so much.



Sponsor writes new dance rules

For the first time ever the Student Council has rules for all MHS dances and sock hops. The rules were written by SC sponsor Don Benton. They are:

1. Only MHS students and their guests may attend.
2. All school regulations will be enforced, including the dress code, no smoking, etc.
3. Students must stay in the auditorium, main foyer and restroom areas.
4. Students may not leave the building and return without permission.
5. Students may not loiter on front steps.

Drama club plans activities

Several drama club members will attend a dramatics workshop tomorrow at Berry High School. The meeting will last from 8:30 a.m. until 4:30 p.m.

The MHSers will also go to the Celebrity Dinner Theater on Oct. 22 for a "night on the town." The price will be \$9 per person. This price includes a meal at the Celebrity's buffet and a presentation of the play, "Dracula."

From the Library--

Library adds new materials

by Michael Staggs

New additions will soon be made to the library.

This year the library has received approximately \$1,000 for the purchasing of equipment and necessities.

"We received about \$200 less than we usually do, because of the Reagan administration," commented librarian Melissa Martin.

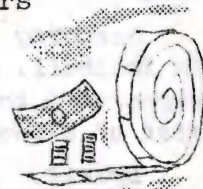
"However, we were still able to make several purchases," she added.

Among the purchases were science filmstrips on microscopes, a record player, encyclopedias, a subscription to the BIRMINGHAM POST HERALD and new books that will soon be arriving.

Also the leukemia Read-A-Rama is underway. Several students are taking part in the fundraising event this year.

Students sell chances

FFA members are selling chances on a hog to be given away Nov. 7 at the Homecoming football game.



By the time of the drawing, the hog will be freezer ready. It will be cut to the winner's specifications, according to ag teacher and FFA sponsor Tony Berry.

Chances cost \$1 and can be bought from any ag student or purchased at any Montevallo home game.

At local events--

Equestrienne shows, wins

by Joyce Stewart

SADDLES, REINS, SHOWS are all a part of sophomore Beth Sides' daily activities. Her hobby consists of an everyday workout with her horse for about two hours each day.

Beth's first horse was given to her by her uncle. She didn't have the horse very long before he died and her father bought her another one that she soon grew to love.

Named for parents

Vanderlero's Dawn is the name of Beth's quarter-horse. The name was taken from the names of the animal's mother and father which are also quarter-horses.

According to Beth, it takes approximately \$3,450 per year for grooming her horse, her riding suit and other accessories for the horse.

Shows Western style

Beth shows Vanderlero's Dawn strictly Western style from April to September. The only shows she performs in are those at Shelby Academy, 4-H shows and other shows in the Shelby County area.

Her awards include Most Improved 4-H Member 1931, 2nd in 4-H Horse Record Book, Halter Western Mare (leading the horse by halter), Showmanship at Halter, 7 first place ribbons and 4 second place ones.

Sophomores Rita Brown, Gay Gaines and senior Kevin Roberts also are interested in horses and attend various shows.



Boosters gain \$400 in funds

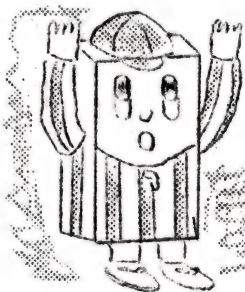
Over \$400 was raised by the Band Boosters at their yard sale last Saturday. The money will help to pay the lease on several band instruments.

This is just one of many fundraising projects sponsored this fall by the band parents, including selling 50¢ chances on a stuffed bear to be given away at the Homecoming football game.

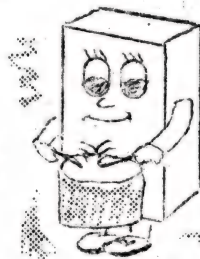
Other projects of the Band Boosters are the concession stand operated at home football games and raffling off a homemade cake at each home game.

Locker Laughs--

Short exam produces laugh



The six weeks is over
And grades are out;
The 'Dogs will beat
Vincent,
There is no doubt.
Tomorrow at Midfield
The band faces trial
While Locker Laughs
Make students smile.



Club elects officers

During activity period Tuesday the library club met under supervision of librarian Melissa Martin. Over 90 MHS students attended the meeting.

Officers elected are: Michael Boothe, president; Timolyn Conwell, vice president; Lori Weiss, secretary; and Tracy James, treasurer.

After scanning a one-page test in journalism, sophomore Lori Weiss exclaimed, "I was ready for a three-page test!" After a brief pause, she added, "But not this page."

When junior Jim Davidson made an unexpected "A" on a physics test, he commented, "It only takes four hours a day to make a high grade...four hours of prayer."

When the teacher told him not to talk, freshman Cedric Nix explained, "I wasn't talking, I was just saying something."

During 4th period publications class, teacher Melissa Martin was discussing her phone call with TIME magazine.

Senior Mike Boothe questioned, "What time did they say it was?"

MHS faces area opponents

by Michael Boothe

The Bulldogs, 1-1 in area play, will face two area foes, Vincent and Winterboro, tonight and next week.

Tonight at Vincent the 'Dogs will be out to avenge last year's 28-14 loss to the 2A state contender. Coach Richard Gilliam comments, "Vincent will depend on a strong defense instead of their offense, which they had to rebuild."

Going into tonight's game, the 'Jackets have a 3-year string of victories over Montevallo.

Next week MHS will see if their 'Dogs are better than those at Winterboro. Winterboro won last year's "mud battle" at Fisher Stadium, 14-0.

Still a 2A playoff contender, Winterboro's only defeat this year has been at the hands of the Calera Eagles, who are undefeated.

Fans will follow

Band Boosters are planning a caravan to travel with the band to competition at Midfield tomorrow. Organization is at 12:30-- just outside the bandroom.

Beat Jemison 18-0--

'Pups win one, lose one

Coach David Bailey's junior varsity football squad broke even over the last two weeks, winning over Pelham and losing to Calera.

Pelham proved to be an easy foe for the juniors as they romped over the Baby Panthers 18-0, Sept. 24.

Ricky Gaddis scored in the first quarter, going in from the 6-yd. line. Touchdown No. 2 came in the second period when Trey Hughes intercepted a pass for a 35-yd. touchdown. Quenton Chism scored the final TD in the fourth quarter from 10 yards out.

Though he didn't score, Tommy Morris was leading ground gainer for MHS. He had 114 yards rushing.

"We dominated the whole game," comments Coach Bailey. "Pelham only got inside our 10 one time."

Calera's JV defeated the 'Pups 19-6 last Thursday at Fisher Stadium.

Calera scored early but Montevallo tied it up by halftime when Trey Hughes scored from the one.

The Eagles added TD's in the 3rd and 4th periods for the 19-6 final score.

Bulldog Growls--

Nation recognizes Work of coaches

by Lessie Gaddis

This is National Coaches Week, which is time for honoring coaches nationwide.



This is a way of showing appreciation to these men and women who take time to coach the athletes of America. All the hard work and time they put into sports for students is valuable.

Coaching is for those who enjoy sports and want to challenge others to be the best.

Coaches, especially the ones at MHS, deserve this special week of recognition for striving to be at the top.

They set goals with their players to encourage the players to aim for perfection as they give their best efforts.

In runs for distance--

Wilder, Colley compete

Freshman Jennifer Wilder took 1st place at the Vincent cross-country meet where she ran junior varsity. She also placed fifth at Homewood recently, competing on varsity level.

Classmate Kevin Colley, running both events, was 8th at Vincent. "I bettered my own time by two minutes at Homewood," Kevin notes. His time for the 3-mile event was 20:18.

Other meets for the two are John Carroll--Oct. 24; Briarwood--Oct. 31; County--Nov. 14; and State--Nov. 21.

Jennifer stays in shape for the contests by running home every day after school to Spring Creek, approximately 2½ miles from MHS. Although this is the first year for Kevin to run, he plans to join the track team in the spring and specialize in the 2-mile run.

El-Mid News--

UM seniors help in class

by Gladys Brasher

Student teachers from University of Montevallo are practicing at Montevallo Elementary School.

Supervising teachers and their helpers are Mrs. Kitty Weese--Cam Springer; Mrs. Dean Nathews--Lynn McCombs; Mrs. Denise Owens--Ann Whitten; Mrs. Ginger Ramey--Debbie Fancher; Mrs. Elizabeth Peete--Sally Vaughn; Miss Shirley Harrington--Tammy Herring.



MES phys ed department will hold its annual Jog-a-thon Oct. 11-23. Individual winners will be recognized and the winning class will get a trophy.

On Oct. 17 the Fun Run will be held with children running the 1- or 2-mile course, depending on their age level. Prizes will be awarded.

Fire Prevention Day was observed at Montevallo Middle School Oct. 6. All science classes were visited by representatives from the fire department.

School Days pictures were taken yesterday.

National Junior Honor Society will initiate new members Oct. 14. Last year's group, now 9th graders, will return to MMS to perform the ceremony.

Battling bands play before TV cameras

Marching Troubadours and the Marching Southern Sounds of Thompson had an opportunity to see themselves on television last Monday night.

The two bands were filmed during their half-time performance Sept. 14 for WBIQ's program, Met-respect.

The television program each week will feature outstanding bands from Birmingham and surrounding areas.

Volleyball starts

After finishing their three-week general conditioning course, the physical education classes have now begun the study of volleyball.

Skills that will be taught include serving, bumping, spiking and setting. The course is scheduled for six weeks.

Fantastic cube gains popularity

How many turns does it take to get to the center of the mystery? This is the question that students confront when challenging the popular Rubik's cube. The number of different possible combinations is 43,252,003,274,489,856,000.

Believe it or not, this game has been around since the 16th century. In 1547 a cubic puzzle was invented called John Dee's Scarabaeus.

Numerous MHSers have challenged the cube.

Sophomore Bert Lott comments, "I can play it for hours without realizing how long it's taking."

Junior Taylor Blackwell notes, "I can work it in only five minutes---with the solution book."

The greatest secrets of the cube are the pivoting center and the symmetric shape.

By making every possible combination, it will only take 43 quintillion moves.

James heads district FFA

This past summer junior Tracy James was elected president of the Future Farmers of America's Northeast Central District.

Tracy and the other district officers have various responsibilities. Among these are the opening ceremonies at District Contest, assisting with leadership workshops and representing the local, county and district FFA organizations.

In addition to his district office, Tracy is also vice president of the Montevallo chapter.

This summer FFA officers attended the annual leadership workshop at Lake Martin. They, along with advisor Tony Berry, made out a chapter program for this year's activities. Included in the plan are the annual citrus fruit sale, the Market Steer and Hog Shows and a trip to the State Rodeo.



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Homecoming, Nov. 6--

Queen election set

HOMEcoming FESTIVITIES begin next week with the election of the queen and her court. The election will start on Thursday, and winners will be announced at next Friday's pep rally.

Wednesday marks the beginning of Spirit Week as faculty and students dress to fit a theme for each day. A Thursday night bonfire is planned to help boost spirit.

Pre-game activities, beginning at 7:00, Friday night at Fisher Stadium, will feature the presentation of the court and the coronation of the queen. Kickoff time for the battle between the Bulldogs and the TCTS Tigers is 7:30.

A coffee room will be set up after the game at the school for returning alumni.

The week's events will culminate with a dance in the auditorium.

Time changes

Students need to remember to set their clocks back one hour Sunday, Oct. 25. At 2 a.m. the official time changes from Daylight Savings Time back to Standard Time.



AREN'T THEY FINE?

Flag corps leader Gretchen Riesener and head majorette Tammy Layton admire their new trophies with new band director Joe Glasgow.

In Midfield, Hoover--

* Troubadours attain 'Superior'

MHS's Marching Troubadours received highest ratings in two recent band contests in Midfield and Hoover. Superior scores were given by all judges, based on marching and maneuvering, technique and overall general effect.

On Oct. 10 the Troubadours marched in the Mid-Alabama Marching Festival. With the band receiving "straight ones," three superior ratings, both the flag corps and majorettes were awarded superior ratings. Drum major Paul Spicer rated excellent.

Band adjudicators included Mr. Herman Johnson from Snead State Junior College, Mr. Larry Hicks from Heritage High School, and Mr. DeLeath Rives from Disque School.

Mr. Johnson commented, "The band has a very nice, commendable sound. You definitely have a superior band and I enjoyed watching your show."

Last Saturday at Hoover

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✓ Sally McMillan leads campaign

Junior Sally McMillan was high salesman in the annual junior class magazine sale. She was awarded an AM-FM clock radio for selling \$368 worth of subscriptions. Scotty Neal was second. His prize will be announced later by Perfect School Plans Company.

Approximately \$2,000 was raised by the three junior class homerooms. An \$800 profit will be applied to the 1982 prom. On Nov. 2 the class will begin selling Reese cups for 50¢ a pack. Profits will also go the prom.

Universities present info

College and Armed Services Day was held last Tuesday. Visiting colleges set up individual information booths in the basement at Main Dormitory on the University of Montevallo campus.

MHS juniors and seniors had time to talk and get information provided by the colleges and university representatives.

At 11:00 students returned to MHS to attend two different sessions of the armed forces.

According to counselor Colleen Colley, "I appreciated the invitation from the university and felt the day was most worthwhile."

Red Cross to hold annual blood drive

This year's MHS blood drive will be Oct. 28. Sponsored by the American Red Cross, the drive will last from 8:30-11:30 a.m.

Students 17 years old and older can participate in the program, although 17-year-olds must have a written permission from their parents.

Next Tuesday during activity period students who are interested and eligible to donate blood will report to the auditorium to see a film sponsored by the American Red Cross.

Services held

Son-rise, a Christian devotional, is held every Wednesday morning at 7:30 in Coach Richard Gilliam's room. Mr. John Miller directs the sessions, with music provided by UM student Jerry Councilman.

Guest speakers highlight the class at times.

Bond rates -- (Cont.)

MHS was one of four of the 12 bands in Class A to receive "straight ones."

All auxiliary units except percussion received superior awards. Judged alone for the first time,

The Hoover Invitational concludes marching competition for the season. Director Joe Glasgow notes that the Troubadours are looking toward Homecoming and the "fast-approaching concert season" after the "superior marching season."

Two praised by principal

Quick thinking and fast action from senior Sheryl Young and sophomore Pamela Staffney may have saved MHS from a fire recently.

When Pamela discovered the small blaze in an empty classroom after school, she quickly threw a box over the fire. Realizing this would not smother the fire, she and Sheryl stamped out the flames with their feet.

Principal Joe Perkins commended the two heroines for their courageous actions.

Earlier that day MHS cleared the building in 1 min., 22 sec. in a fire drill conducted by Montevallo's fire department.

It's News Downtown--

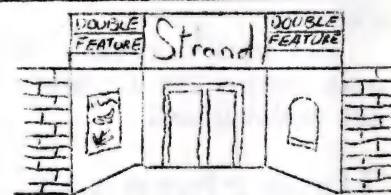
Strand shows horror movies

by Gladys Brasher

The Strand Theater will show a double feature on Halloween night starting at 10 p.m. The cost is \$2.50 for both shows.

Story Theater is being performed for children and adults from Wednesday, Oct. 21, to Saturday, Oct. 24 at 8 p.m. in Palmer Hall. Admission is \$2.50.

On Thursday, Oct. 29, the Woody Shaw Quintet will perform at Palmer Hall at 8 p.m. Admission fees are \$4 for adults and \$2 for students.

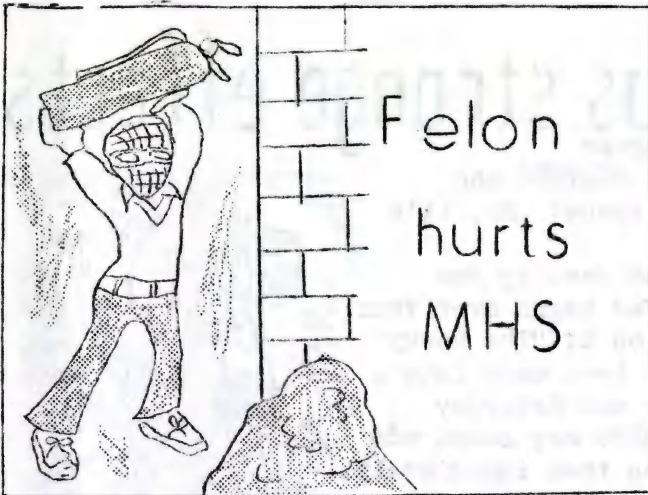


"Pippin," a Broadway play, will be presented at Palmer on Oct. 26 at 8 p.m. The musical comedy has a New York cast.

Tickets are \$8 reserved and \$6 general admission.

"Trick or treating" for UNICEF presents an opportunity to raise money for needy children in foreign countries. Several groups in the county are planning to take up this challenge.

Anyone interested may contact a Birmingham-Southern representative at 328-5280-ext. 215.



Spirit Days cut short

Homecoming at MHS has been a tradition for many years. It's a time when students and faculty can show spirit and support not only for the Bulldogs, but for other organizations of the school.

One of the most exciting things about Homecoming is Spirit Days. The reason I didn't say "Spirit Week" is simply because only three days (rather than a full week) are usually set aside to celebrate one of the most exciting events of the year. Homecoming '73 was the last time five days were given for "dress-up" fun.

It would be nice if the whole school would join together for a full week to make this Homecoming the best that it can be.

Joyce Stewart ('82)

Vandalism dishonors school

In the past two years Montevallo High School has maintained a somewhat low vandalism rate. However, a recent outburst has blemished this record.

An irresponsible person(s) entered school bus 80-4 on the night of Oct. 9 and stole the fire extinguisher, bent the gear shift and let the air out of its tires. The fire extinguisher was thrown through the window of Room J-6, breaking four panes.

This establishment was built to further educate and develop the mental capacity of its youth. Therefore, such actions of criminal behavior are loathsome and crude. Hopefully, these actions will not reflect upon the student body or encourage any future degrading acts.

Good wishes sent

MHSers wish technician Arthur Cupp and custodian Lula Bell Moore speedy recoveries. Mr. Cupp has been confined to bed with a slipped disc; Mrs. Moore was recently hospitalized for minor surgery.

Anyone wishing to send get well cards may address Mr. Cupp at Rt. 1, Calera, AL 35040 and Mrs. Moore at P.O. Box 238, Montevallo, AL 35115.

School units deserve praise

Saturday, Oct. 10, is a day all MHSers should remember with pride. Both our football team and Marching Troubadours brought honor to MHS that day.

The Bulldog team triumphed over the Vincent Yellow-jackets 12-0; the Bulldog Band excelled at the Midfield Band Competition. Both the team and the band represent us at MHS.

We have a small but talented student body. Many carry multiple duties which must be prioritized in certain instances. All of us need to support one another and praise the accomplishments of each other.

We are very proud of our school; we need to reflect this unified pride to others.

... Melissa Martin

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New punk craze has strange effects

by Beth Hughes

GREEN HAIR, A JERKING HEAD, GARBAGE BAG CLOTHES and strange glasses. Is it an alien from outer space? No, it's just an MHSer "punking out" at a sock hop.

Punk rock, the newest trend in music and dancing has swept over the country like wildfire. The fad began over four years ago in England with the stage production of "The Rocky Horror Picture Show." The rock opera has now been made into a movie that plays all across the US on Friday and Saturday nights at midnight. Names like B-52's and DEVO may sound odd to some people, but an avid punker recognizes them immediately. These and other groups provide music for the new craze.

Jerk, hop, fall--that's punk rock

Perhaps the strangest thing about punk rock is the dancing. Students attending sock hops today may learn the steps to the Time Warp, the Lobster or the Water Spout. Punk dancing does not require much coordination. One must just jerk his head up and down, hop as if on a pogo stick, and fall to the floor on cue.

Accompanying this newest wave in music and dance is a totally new trend in fashions. Male rockers may be found wearing black, straight-legged pants with a white shirt, black coat and a ver-ry thin tie, or a ripped T-shirt, with a leather jacket and jeans. White shoes are a must for either outfit.

Girls in garbage bags

Girls may be seen wearing anything from tight pedal pushers in wild colors to mini skirts made from garbage bags. Pumps in assorted colors are popular with any suit as are very large and gaudy earrings. Accessories for both male and females include 3-D or wrap sunglasses, a safety pin through the lip or nose, and, of course, very short hair dyed pink, orange or green.

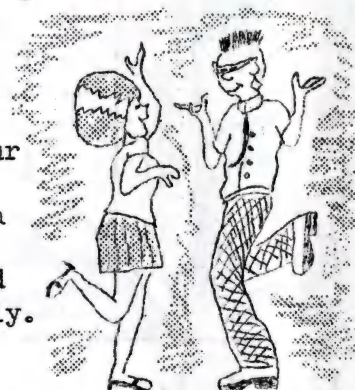
At MHS's last sock hop several of the fashions were seen and everyone tried the newest dances. Two MHSers comment on the subject.

"I like it because it's different," says senior Paul Spicer.

Senior Michele Readal disagrees. "The only thing you get out of it is a headache." she says.

Many parents are frightened by the new wave. It will pass, though, as most fads do. In a few years, all that will remain will be a few scratched albums, some faded magazine pictures, and some bad backs from all that jerking.

For the time being, though, disco is dead and punk rock is definitely alive and well.



Club enters competition

For the first time ever MHS will present a drama at state competition. Casting for the play, to be directed by drama club sponsor Barbara Belisle, began last Thursday.

"The Storm," by Donald Payton, will be used in the competition at Samford University, Dec. 10.

Also, auditions for the Christmas play, "Seeing the Star," by Alberta Hawse, will begin in two weeks.

Recently several MHSers and Mrs. Belisle attended a dramatics workshop at Berry High School.

"The clinic was very instructive. We saw a lot of talented people from high schools as well as professionals. We learned a lot we can use in the future," Mrs. Belisle says.

Last night approximately 65 MHSers saw "Dracula" at Celebrity Dinner Theater.

Juniors pick rings

Class rings were ordered by the junior class yesterday.

Earlier this week Josten's representative Bert Jones met with the class in the auditorium to answer questions and discuss prices.

Juniors will receive their rings "a few weeks prior to spring holidays" according to Principal Joe Perkins.



Holiday has odd origin

Little ghosts, goblins and witches will be seen scampering around the streets next Saturday night as children all across America celebrate Halloween. Though Halloween is a very popular holiday today, it had its beginnings hundreds of years ago.

The paganistic Druids of western Europe were the first people to celebrate Halloween. October 31 was known as All Hallows Eve, the day before the new year began. On this night the sun god collected all the dead bodies from the previous year and placed the souls in the bodies of animals.

The worst humans were placed in cats, the best in dogs.

Since those crude beginnings, many traditions have been added to make Halloween an exciting holiday all around the world.



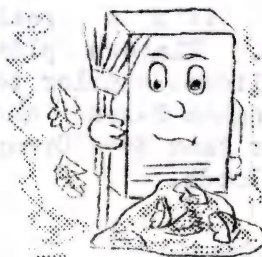
Concerts set

Concerts coming to the Birmingham Civic Center next month are:

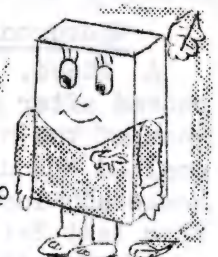
- Nov. 6 Conway Twitty
- 7 Barry Manilow
- 14 Jefferson Starship
- 25 Allman Brothers and Hank Williams
- Dec. 1 Rush

Locker Laughs--

Lost weight finds laugh



As school days continue
And students work hard,
Autumn leaves fall
And clutter the yard.
With no game tonight,
The Bulldogs will rest
While Locker Laughs help
Make your day the best.



In first period American history junior Paige Black announced, "I lost five pounds."

Classmate Chris Wilder replied, "Well, tell us what they looked like and we'll go look for them."

While talking to teacher Doug Morris about his study sessions, senior Beth Hughes commented, "Most people go to church on Wednesday night, except for us math-odists."

Teams jump, benefit heart

"Jump Rope for Heart" will be held Nov. 7 from 9:00-12:00. It will take place in Myrick Gym at the University of Montevallo.

Sponsored by Alabama Association for Health, Physical Education, Recreation and Dance, the fundraiser will benefit the American Heart Association.

Working in teams of six, participants ask for pledges per minute of jumping time. T-shirts, jackets or warm-ups will be awarded, according to amount of money raised.

Students interested in participating should contact teacher Dot Bishop for more information.

Class officers pick '82 announcements

Senior class officers recently chose announcements for the Class of '82.

Sales representative Joe Brock from Balfour helped the group select from twenty different varieties, ranging from very informal to very formal.

The officers picked an announcement that is slightly different from the one used last year.

A blue MHS crest will be on the front of the white fold-over card and the inside will contain a full panel message.

Students will place orders for their announcements Jan. 14. A packet of information, containing a price list and order form, will be given seniors before order date.

Journalism teacher Cathy Bearden asked her students if they knew a locker laugh.

Sophomore Carol Fulmer replied, "He-He!"

As editor Taylor Lawrence began his article, he announced, "I don't know anything about this mystery disease."

"That's why it's a mystery," said senior Gladys Brasher.

At Vincent, Winterboro--

MHS wins one, loses one

Coach Richard Gilliam's Bulldogs split two area games over the past two weeks. They shut out the Yellowjackets at Vincent, 12-0; and last Friday they lost a heartbreaker at Winterboro, 16-14.

After being delayed by rain on Friday night, the 'Dogs defeated Vincent on Saturday.

Averaging 6.7 yards a try, quarterback Howard Gaddis had a 30-yd. touchdown run in the second quarter; and J. J. Moore went over from the one-inch line in the fourth period to account for the scoring for the night.

Bulldog Jeff Chism was offensive leader, carrying 19 times for 92 yards.

Coach Gilliam comments, "The offense played real well under the conditions of no crowd, no band, and no cheerleaders and coming off the Saturday 'blahs.'"

Statistics

	MHS	VHS
1st downs	11	4
Yds. rushing	251	75
Yds. passing	0	0
Punt. avrg.	42.5	35.1

Defensive leaders were Bulldogs Rex Wallace with 20 points and Moore, 20.

Winterboro wins

A 20-yd. field goal, scored after a 70-yd. run-back of the opening kick spelled the difference as Montevallo lost to Winterboro last Friday.

After going behind 10-0, MHS scored late to close within 2 points before the half. Chism ran 11 yards for the TD and Gaddis scored the 2-point conversion.

Taking the second half kick, MHS drove 78 yards in 12 plays with Moore going the last yard to put Montevallo ahead 14-10.

The lead held until late in the final period when the Winterboro 'Dogs passed long to score again for the 16-14 victory.

In volleyball--

Bulldogs take 3rd in county

by Lessie Gaddis

Thompson High captured the county volleyball title and the Lady Bulldogs came in third in the tournament Oct. 10 at Briarwood.

MHSer Tanya Staffney was selected for the all-county team.

Montevallo beat Shelby County 15-6, 15-12 in the first game. In the next match, after Vincent jumped off to an early 5-0 in the first game, the 'Dogs scored 8 straight points for an 8-5 lead before losing 16-14, 15-10.

The Bulldogs defeated Briarwood 15-13, 15-3 and No. 3 seeded Pelham, 15-8, 15-13 to meet Vincent in the semifinals.

The 'Jackets eliminated Montevallo 15-7, 15-8 to move into the finals with Thompson. The Warriors defeated Vincent to take the county crown.

The 'Dogs went to Vincent yesterday to play in the Area Tournament.

Players to work for new uniforms

Baseball players met in early October and decided to sponsor money-raising events to earn money to purchase new uniforms.

Senior Mike Peacock, who heads the project, says plans include car washes, doughnut sales and a candy sale. "We really need new uniforms; the old ones are looking rough," Mike says.

Coach Richard Gilliam comments, "It's a real good idea." Players plan to get uniforms similar to the Birmingham Barons and will order them from Crump Sporting Goods.

JV's end on winning note

In their final game of the season last Thursday the Bullpups rolled over Briarwood 36-9. With a total of 133 yards, freshman Ricky Gaddis was leading rusher for Montevallo.

For some 'Pups, it was not the season's end as they now move up to varsity play. Players changing status are linemen Andy Brindley, Lonnie Layton and James Lucas and backs Andy Chism, Gaddis and Trey Hughes.

On Oct. 8, Tommy Morris led the 'Pups as they tied Shelby County 6-6. Morris rushed for 63 yards, averaging 3.8 per carry. After three quarters of scoreless ball, Gaddis went over from the one for MHS's TD with only 2 min. 45 sec. left. The 'Cats scored on a half-back pass with only a few seconds remaining in the game.

As basketball starts--

Bulldog Growls--

Club 'talks over' guidelines

Members of the basketball club met during activity period Oct. 6. The club members and their sponsor Kurt Pnazek discussed the "Ten guidelines to success" and went over the pre-season basketball practice schedule.

Members of the club are male basketball players only, in order to "take the club where it needs to go," Coach Pnazek says. "Next year the club will possibly include girls," he adds. In order to be in the club a person must first be on the basketball team. To be on the team, however, a candidate must meet the standards of school eligibility as well as standards set by Coach Pnazek.

"A player must not be a behavior problem in school. He must be a person who is willing to be a student as well as a basketball player," Coach Pnazek says.

Lady 'Dogs get basketball rolling

Lady Bulldog cagers will be sporting new uniforms and warmups this year.

They will have a sleeveless white jersey lined in blue and blue shorts with a white stripe down the side. These will be used for home games.

Coach Sue Wilson will have the warmups made at Thorsby Associates, the former Thorsby Industries, where she is an industrial engineerist.

After the Lady 'Dogs had their first practice Oct. 12, Coach Wilson commented, "I was pleased with our first practices."

The Dogs will open the season at home Nov. 13 at 6 p.m. playing Vincent.

Here is the remaining November schedule:

Nov. 19	Jemison	H	4:00
20	Calera	T	TBA
24	Berry	H	6:30
25	Thompson	H	1:30

Varsity posts 17-10 record

MHS's volleyball squad upped its record to 17-10.

Playing at Calera on Oct. 15, the Lady Dogs defeated Vincent 15-8, 1-15, 15-4 for the first time in five attempts this season.

On Oct. 13 the Bulldogs traveled to Pelham to take an impressive 15-10, 12-15, 16-14 win.

Down by 12-3 in the last game, the 'Dogs came back with 11 consecutive points.

They also had victories over Jemison, Columbiana, Calera and Briarwood two weeks ago.

Team adds competition

by Lessie Gaddis

For the first time each school in Shelby County will have a girls basketball team.



This will help coaches to schedule more games in the county without having to travel so far away for competition.

The nine teams will also bring more competition into the area for the county, area and regional tournaments.

Since there are several really good female athletes in the county, the local competition should help them improve their talents as they try for college scholarships.

Season closes

After defeating Pelham 15-9, 15-11, the junior varsity volleyball team ended its season with a 9-3 record Monday at home.

Freshman Carol Paschel moved up to the varsity for the Area Tournament.

Bulldogs will have night off

Tonight MHS takes the night off after a week of work on fundamentals and teamwork. After seven consecutive games, the Bulldogs have their only open date on the schedule.

Next week the Bulldogs will travel to West Blocton as the Tigers' homecoming opponent. Although the Tigers are 0-7 this year, "they've faced some of the toughest teams in the state," according to Coach Richard Gilliam.

Coach Gilliam says that though the Tigers "lack speed, the Bulldogs will have to look for their strong defense and their sound fundamentals."

El-Mid News--

MES to receive orders

by Gladys Brasher

Greeting cards, sold by children at the Montevallo Elementary School earlier in the year, will be delivered during the first week in November.

Mrs. Betty Smitherman's 5th grade math class visited the Merchants and Planters Bank in Montevallo to learn about banking procedures.

Elementary children will be excused from classes on Oct. 30 to attend the school's Halloween Fun Fair.

Parents should pick up report cards on Nov. 7 from 3 to 5 p.m. at MES.

Mrs. Cindy Kirkpatrick's Enrichment Resource class is in the process of making an animated film.

They are now involved in a study of Ancient Greece, calling it "Mummy's Message."

Middle School students will participate in the annual Fall Festival, Oct. 30 from 12:45 to 2:30.

The Mr. and Miss MMS contest began Oct. 8. Winners will be announced on Oct. 30.

Senior class pays for color

Yearbook representatives are collecting \$10 from each senior to pay for a color senior section in the 1982 book. Deadline for paying is Nov. 4.

"If money is not received from a person, his picture will be omitted or the section will just be in black and white," explains MONTALA sponsor Melissa Martin.

Co-ed chorus joins activities

Mixed chorus, a new club, has been added to the activity period on the third Tuesday of each month. The group will be led by math teacher Teresa Dollar and English student teacher Donna Smith.

Mrs. Dollar was a member of the band at Shelby County High School and drum major three years.

Miss Smith was in chorus and band in Muldrow High in Oklahoma and received a music scholarship to Northeastern Oklahoma State University. She was appointed to Who's Who in American High School Music Students.

Although Montevallo has had a girls' chorus in past years, this is the first time it has had a co-ed group.

Class attains new vehicle for training

Driver ed classes have a new 1982 Grand Prix from Leach Pontiac. It arrived Oct. 6.

The car will be used to teach driver ed students correct driving procedures. Students will drive a minimum of ten times and will be graded on their driving skills and attitudes during the 12-week driving course according to teacher David Bailey.

Library Notes--

Library plans get underway

by Michael Staggs

Various plans are underway for the library.

The annual Readarama began Oct. 2 and lasts till Nov. 2. Students are still encouraged to participate. Three students have already completed more than 25 books.

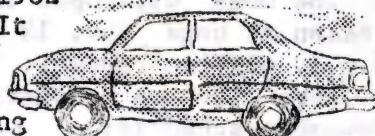
They are freshmen Karen Cochran and Tim Thompson and sophomore John Hawkins.

"The library club has 37 members this year," comments librarian Melissa Martin.

Several new books have been ordered. Among them are: The Complete Text of Julius Caesar by J.E.A. Tyler, The Complete Illustrated Shakespeare edited by Howard Staunton, and Fredrick Remington, American West edited by P.R. St. Clair.

Miss Martin also expects a cassette on the complete story of Romeo and Juliet.

"I'm trying to arrange for the Strand Theater to show Shakespeare's Romeo and Juliet film to the student body," Miss Martin says.



At University of Montevallo--

Upperclassmen gain credits

Eleven MHSers are looking for mid-term grades from another institution. Ten seniors and one junior regularly attend various classes at the University of Montevallo for college credit.

Mid-term ends today. Seniors Dennis Beers, Beth Hughes Mary Klemenc, Taylor Lawrence, Anna Lott, Robyn Perkins, Gretchen Riesener, Paul Spicer, Krislin Stewart and David Tishler and junior Ahrian Davis await their grades for their performance in advanced classes.

Most of these students go to UM between third and fifth periods for at least three days a week to attend regular freshman and sophomore level classes.

Dennis is taking a full freshman load, classified as both a full-time UM and MHS student. Taylor is taking two sophomore level courses in physics and calculus.

Mary, Gretchen and David are attending psychology 101. Beth and Krislin are learning art awareness, while Anna is perfecting German and Robyn is working with computers.

Ahrian is auditing a college algebra class.

"This is the largest group we've ever had to attend UM," notes guidance counselor Colleen Colley. "I'm very proud of their work. and hope that this experience will help them in their future plans."

Night brings fright

by Tina Battle

Haunted houses
And
Low moans,
Lightening and thunder,
Ogres and goblins,
Witches and
Evil spirits
Enfold this eerie
Night.

Officials plan upcoming year

Future plans and activities for the National Honor Society were discussed at an Oct. 15 officers' meeting. On their next meeting the group will tour the solar homes built by senior Ellen Arnold's father Terry Arnold.

The agenda for the upcoming year includes holding a debate between the young Democrats and Republicans; scheduling a banquet before the Christmas holidays; and making general plans for tapping and registering students at the end of the year.

"This group has great initiative, and it's going to be a fantastic year," comments president Gladys Brasher.

Class speaks on local show

Sixteen volunteers from Miss Jane Darden's family living class were guests on a WBYE talk show, from 12:15 to 1 p.m., Oct. 14.

The show was about communication in the home. The main point discussed was how to help parents understand teenagers and their problems.

Sophomore Renee Hughes comments, "I think the show was a good experience for us because we helped parents understand how teenagers feel about life."

The students were transported to the radio station by three parents.

Grades earn praise

Forty students met the academic requirements for making the Principal's List for the first 6 weeks.

To make the list, it is essential for students to earn at least four A's with 85 being the lowest acceptable grade.

Parents of these leading students will receive a notification of their student's achievement in the mail from Principal Joe Perkins.

Parents discuss budget plans

Parents, teachers and citizens interested in the Shelby County School Budget Plan were recently able to meet and discuss proposed plans for 1981-82. This is the first time such a series of meetings has been held.

The purpose was to encourage parents and citizens in each community to get involved and learn about the schools' budget plans. Parents in the Montevallo area met Oct. 19 at MHS. Calera High will host the last meeting of the series on Oct. 26 at 7 p.m.

On the big day--

Band plagued by mistakes

by Ellen Arnold

EVER NOTICED HOW EVERYTHING seems to go wrong just when it needs to go right? This was certainly the case when Montevallo's Troubadours competed at the Mid-Alabama Marching Festival two weeks ago.

The bad luck began with the rain Friday night. The football game with Vincent was postponed because of the weather, until Saturday, the same day as the contest. This meant the band had to choose between going to the game and staying for the awards ceremony. In addition, the rain turned the practice field to mud, splattering Troubadours' uniforms and shoes during practice.

Late departure

Mr. Joe Glasgow, band director, had planned for the band to leave at 1:00 on Saturday afternoon; but due to unforeseen circumstances, the buses did not pull out until 1:30.

First of all, the flag corps found that their new flags had been locked in the school office; and they could not find anyone who had a key to the office. When the flags were finally recovered, the girls discovered that one pole was missing.

No air

After a thorough search, the pole was found in a practice room. Additional delay was caused when one of the buses had to have air added to the tires.

To top it all off, one member entirely forgot about contest and several others lost parts of their uniforms and came up with some ingenious substitutions. (One Troubadour had to resort to using a white plastic garbage bag when her cummerbund could not be found.)

Recorder fails

The ill fortune seemed to affect the contest judges, too.

Part of a judge's job

is to record his comments on a cassette tape.

Although there were three judges, only one tape is of value. One tape is totally incomprehensible, and another wasn't recorded until the last few minutes of the show.

Perhaps the only thing that did happen right that day was the superior rating the Troubadours, flags and majorettes received.

These "one" scores made the whole business worth it to everybody.

Food offered

Snacks are now being sold at break and after school for 30¢ each in the Student Council store.

Time change urged in 1784

Americans leave Daylight Savings Time again this Sunday. Few, however, know that Benjamin Franklin first suggested the practice of Daylight Savings Time in 1784.

In 1908, Sir Robert Pearce introduced a bill in the British House of Commons to set clocks ahead an hour in the spring and set them back in the fall. But the idea was dismissed.

During World War I, Daylight Savings Time was finally adopted to give factory workers time to tend home gardens.

During World War II it was brought back again. After the war, it was left up to individual states and cities to use or not use the practice.

In 1966 Congress passed a uniform regulation of having it from the last Sunday in April to the last Sunday in October, which makes this weekend the one with the "extra" hour this year.

So, at 2 a.m. Sunday, Americans "gain an hour."

Students plan for extra hour

This Sunday, Oct. 25, MHSers will gain an extra hour as the US leaves Daylight Savings Time. Here's how some will spend the extra 60 minutes.

"Staying out later."--Howard Gaddis, junior.

"Finding me a boyfriend."--Paula Phillips, freshman.

"Eating."--Nancy Shinnick, sophomore.

"With Scotty."--Angie Pruitt, junior.

"With Angie."--Scotty Neal, junior.

"Tooling around."--Lisa Hicks, sophomore.

"With more mature college guys." Greta Riesener, senior.

"Thinking about what what I'm gonna do the next hour."--Pam Hedgepath, freshman.



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As Homecoming queen--

Students elect Beth

SENIOR BETH HUGHES reigns today as MHS's 1981 Homecoming queen. She receives the crown tonight from last year's queen, Jill White.

Senior Tanya Staffney, juniors Deana Floyd and Felecia McCord, sophomores Lisa Brasher and Donna Harris and freshmen Fran Agee and Michelle Kelly make up the court of attendants.

Beth and Tanya were chosen by the student body last week from a slate of 15 senior candidates. Attendants were elected by their respective classes.

The winners were announced at the pep rally last Friday.

The queen and her court will be featured at a pregame show and again at the dance after the game between MHS and Talladega County Training School.

Theme days boost spirit

Young children and punk rockers were common sights at MHS this week as students dressed to fit daily themes for Spirit Week.

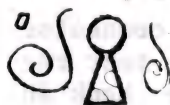
Wednesday was Kindergarten Day, and Thursday was New Wave/Punk/GQ Day. Today is the traditional Orange/Blue Day.

Those with the best costumes each day were awarded spirit ribbons and a couple's pass to the Homecoming dance.

Last night the Student Council sponsored a bonfire/pep rally.



FROM ONE REAL WINNER TO ANOTHER
Seniors Beth Hughes and Taylor Lawrence congratulate one another on their recent accomplishments.



School to observe holiday

Students will have the day off next Wednesday for Veterans' Day. School will close at 2:45 Tuesday afternoon and reopen on Thursday.

Veterans' Day, Nov. 11, is an established tradition and has been set aside to remember and honor men and women who have served the United States in the armed services.

Academy accepts--

Navy ranks Taylor 'tops'

Senior Taylor Lawrence recently received a "letter of assurance" from the Naval Academy of Annapolis of his acceptance for next year. He must now receive the official Congressional nomination to be accepted.

"Taylor was marked as one of the highest ranking academic students," comments counselor Colleen Colley.

"I'm really excited, for the Naval Academy is one of the top schools in the country," Taylor remarks. "It is a big step to make," he adds.

When Taylor meets the requirements and qualifies for the school, he will become the only student from MHS ever to qualify for the Naval Academy.

'Celebration' to end week

Homecoming festivities end tonight with a semi-formal dance after the game. The dance lasts until midnight. Admission is \$3 for couples and \$2 for singles.

In keeping with the theme, "Celebration," the auditorium will be decorated as a big party. Endless Love will be the song used for the leadout featuring the queen and her court.

Music for the dance will be by a D.J. provided by Shelby World of Music.

Refreshments, provided by the Student Council, include slush punch, white cake petits fours and party mints.

All Homecoming activities are sponsored by the Student Council.

Montevallo hosts bass trombonist

Bass trombonist Charles Vernon from the Philadelphia Orchestra was in Montevallo earlier this week for a performance and a brass clinic.

The clinic was offered Monday for a \$1 fee per person. Several Troubadours attended this special session.

Mr. Vernon performed two concerts at the University of Montevallo. He gave a solo performance on Sunday and was guest soloist with the UM band at a Monday night performance.

End approaches

Next Friday marks the end of the second six weeks grading period. Report cards will be given out the following week.

The third six weeks grading period will begin Nov. 16.

Test conducted

Sixteen MHS juniors took the Preliminary Scholastic Aptitude Test (PSAT) on Oct. 27.

The PSAT is the qualifying test for students who want to enter the National Merit and Achievement Scholarship competitions.

The test measures verbal and mathematical reasoning abilities, important in college work.

According to counselor Colleen Colley, test results should be back in December.

It's News Downtown--

Town honors UM students

Last Thursday Montevallo Chamber of Commerce and several UM offices sponsored "Welcome Week" for university students. Many stores stayed open late with special discounts.

A new sign has been added to Smitherman's new location on Main Street. The stylish blue and white letters are perched atop the store front.

Saturday begins a series of kiddy matinees to

MHS will honor former soldiers

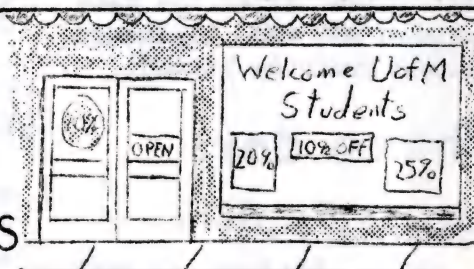
Guest speaker for MHS's Veterans' Day Program will be Marine Cpt. Lee Jenkins. The event is scheduled for activity period next Tuesday.

Senior Joyce Stewart is program chairman. Assistants are Beth Hughes and Rhonda Edwards.

Plans call for junior Aretha Paschel to lead the singing of the National Anthem. Local Boy Scouts, headed by Eagle Scout Jim Davidson, will lead the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

As the benediction for the event, Mrs. Ola Faye Gilliam will sing "God Bless America."

"Students are urged to bring family members who are veterans," Joyce says.

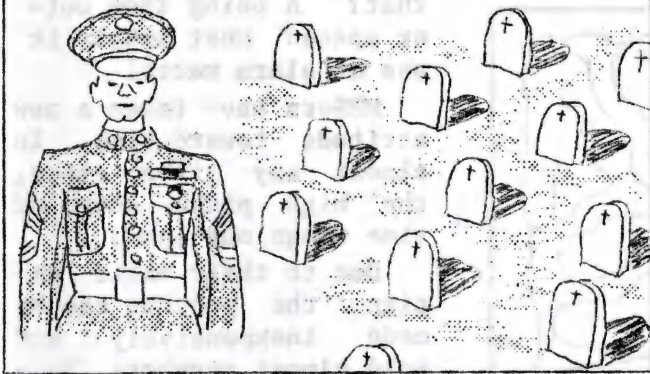


be shown at the Strand theater. "Lassie, Come Home" will begin at 1 p.m. The price is \$1.25 for all students and \$2.00 for adults.

State competition of the Alabama College Theatre Festival is being held at the University of Montevallo this week.

The last two plays, The Island and Strictly Matrimony will be performed at 10 a.m. tomorrow and The Elephant Man at 8 p.m.

They preserved
our way of life...



Veterans earn praise

Veterans' Day, Nov. 11, is a day set aside to honor men and women who have served in the armed forces of the US.

The holiday, first called Armistice Day, was proclaimed by President Woodrow Wilson in 1919 to remind Americans of the tragedies of war. A law adopted in 1938 made the day a federal holiday.

Name changed

Armistice Day was changed to Veterans' Day by Congress in 1954 to honor all United States veterans.

Celebrations for the day in the United States include speeches and parades. At the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier in Arlington, National Cemetery in Virginia, special memorial services are held.

Birmingham, Alabama, has the nation's largest Veterans' Day parade.

Others observe

Other nations celebrate similar holidays.

In Great Britain and France, Nov. 11 is Armistice Day, while Canada observes Remembrance Day.

This is a special time set aside to remember and appreciate those who defended America's freedom to the point of giving their own lives.

The SPOTLIGHT staff honors these courageous Americans.

Donors thanked for service

When the Red Cross blood mobile visited Montevallo High School last week, 53 students and teachers participated. These people are to be commended for their service to the community.

Donating blood is a responsibility shared by all members of the community.

On the average, hospitals in the Alabama region use 750 units of blood every day. The only way for the Red Cross to meet these needs is for everyone to do his/her part by donating blood regularly.

Participants in this program from MHS certainly helped their fellowman by giving of themselves.

Hard work is appreciated

Dear Editor,

The Student Council extends thanks to those faculty members who helped with Homecoming activities.

Many of these teachers pulled double duty this past week as they worked with committees during and after school hours.

Their dedication has helped make this one of the best Homecomings ever, and their work is truly appreciated.

Beth Hughes, President
Student Council

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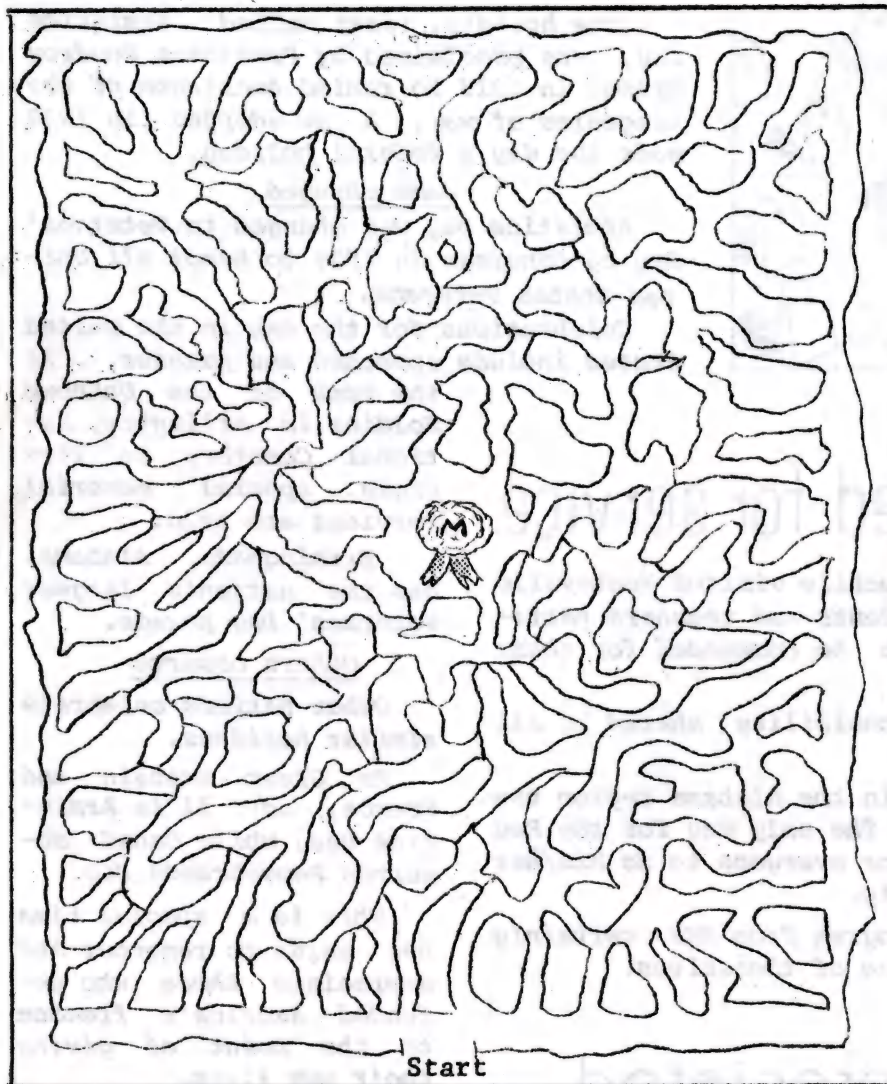
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Mum Moze

by Lori Weiss

In the puzzle below, beginning at "Start," try to find a path which will lead to the mum.



Musical notes strike again

Beep-beep. What was that? A being from outer space? Most likely it was an alarm watch!

MHSers have taken a new attitude toward time. In almost any given class, the high pitch sound of time rings out loud.

Due to their basic design, the watches can be made inexpensively and sold almost anywhere. However, some of the more complex alarm watches like Seikos cost anywhere from \$100 to \$200.

The alarm watch got its beginning from basic digital watches. Other offsprings are the calculator and the musical watch.

The calculator watch, a favorite of certain teachers, includes the basic functions of a watch, plus the basic functions of a calculator.

The musical watch is equipped with any of the several musical rhythms.

So, while it may be true that time flies this year, it is flying more noisily than ever before.

Juniors have candy for sale

Juniors began selling Reese peanut butter cups Monday to raise money for the prom.

Class president Sally McMillan will distribute 45 cases among the juniors. Each case contains 60 boxes of Reese cups and will be sold for 50¢ each.

The sale will last for two weeks and raise \$540.

Plan future meetings--

Groups choose executives

Math club and biology club elected officers for the year at meetings last week.

Senior Gladys Brasher was chosen president of the math club, with Beth Hughes as vice president. Junior Keith Studdard was named secretary/treasurer. The club plans to meet every third Tuesday. The main duty of the officers is to prepare for these meetings.

Three seniors head the biology club. John Verbitski is president; Renee Hoop, vice president; and Steve Wilkinson, secretary/treasurer. The club's 19 members are discussing future plans at present. Science teacher Joanna McGaughy is their sponsor.

In clubs and organizations

Queen's life means activity

by Taylor Lawrence

BETH HUGHES, HOMECOMING QUEEN 1981, can always be found in the midst of school activities and projects. From an early age, her interests have led her into varied groups and clubs.

Born in Birmingham, Beth moved with her family to Montevallo when she was six months old. She has lived in this area ever since, attending Montevallo's public schools.

Gets involved

Because of the rush of new activities and adjustments to a different way of life, Beth's first day at MHS is one she will never forget.

Life at MHS, for Beth has always been full of activities and duties. She has been busy in a wide range of clubs, including Spanish, drama, math, fisherman's, lively arts and Student Council. She is currently president of Student Council and vice president of math club. She is also news editor of SPOTLIGHT.

Scholastically, Beth has been honored in many ways. She has repeatedly been named to the Principal's List and is now a member of National Honor Society.

Enjoys travel

After school, Beth enjoys eating, sleeping and just "having a good time." Her favorite activity, though, is travel. She has seen much of the United States and England.

When asked what bit of advice she would give to a freshman on how to enjoy high school life as she has, Beth simply says, "get involved in school activities!"

Day brings fear

All superstitious persons better plan to stay inside next week, for Friday is the 13th. If everyone avoids black cats and broken mirrors, things will be normal again Saturday.



Seniors enjoy child's play

Seniors in college prep English class experienced their second childhood on "Kindergarten Day" this week.

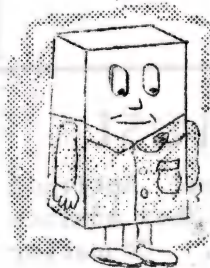
With over half the class dressed in small children's clothes and carrying toys and stuffed animals, seniors participated in such games as Simon Says and Seven-Up.

They also took part in childhood chants and mischievous pranks. It was all in keeping with Spirit Week.

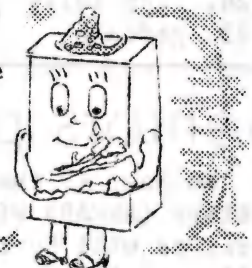
"I hope I never see another day like this," says teacher Delilah Robinson.

Locker Laughs--

Pope brings laugh to class



Bright-colored ribbons,
Homecoming mums,
Make this night festive
And full of great fun.
Tonight at the game
The Tigers will fall,
As Locker Laughs bring
Good cheer to all!



While calling roll in homeroom, Mrs. Ann Parker asked, "Where's John Pope?"
"In the Vatican," replied senior Paul Spicer.

Junior Etie Walker said "Something's wrong with one side of my jacket." Junior Pam White quipped, "One side has buttons, and the other doesn't."

In journalism, senior Michael Staggs asked classmate Jeff Gentry, "Want to buy a mum?" Jeff replied, "I already have one--and a dad, too."

During fourth period English, Mrs. Barbara Belisle asked the class if they knew any French words that are used today.

Junior Terri Johnson shouted, "French fries!"

In first period senior English class, teacher Ann Parker asked the group to let her "have the floor" because they were so noisy.

Senior Annette McCray piped up, "I'm pretty sure you have the floor, Mrs. Parker, you're standing on it."

Homecoming Scramble

by Donna Glosson

Unscramble the following homecoming words.

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|-----------------|-----------------------|
| 1. cusim | 26. hemntsfetrsr |
| 2. iplogths | 27. lmfoar sime |
| 3. nisore | 28. rdyafi gitnh |
| 4. ilanum | 29. hfitg nsog |
| 5. rctaidenonos | 30. msum |
| 6. dabn | 31. ihmoeemngio |
| 7. tedntsant | 32. Euqne nda Rtcuo |
| 8. gblulsod | 33. pstiri Kewe |
| 9. hotuc wndo | 34. rwnco-N-Seor |
| 10. tipucres | 35. Rep mega hsw |
| 11. hocase | 37. orgaen-n-Lube yda |
| 12. rtivoyc | 38. sedsrangi pu |
| 13. itks | 39. hgih csolor |
| 14. inclebearot | 40. bololaft mega |
| 15. gifth meta | 41. roaeg-n-lube |
| 16. asted | 42. utedsnt lucino |
| 17. eharscte | 43. dcerlehrase |
| 18. curseto | 44. ngetikdrane yad |
| 19. focefe moro | 45. rfie ntabo |
| 20. nadce | 46. icds kjceyo |
| 21. nbo-frie | 47. ateb gitres |
| 22. aractnino | 48. lama reatm |
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Seniors plan to take test

On Nov. 19 the Armed Services Vocational Aptitude Battery (ASVAB) will be given to seniors. Navy administrators will be in charge of the testing. Counselor Colleen Colley urges all seniors to take the test.

The ASVAB is a group of 12 tests that measure students' aptitude in five separate career field areas and provides an indication of the students' ability. An aptitude battery helps test-takers measure their potential. "It can also give them a good indication of where their talents lie," says Mrs. Colley.

The ASVAB is not a "Pass" or "Fail" test; it indicates how students do in comparison to a representative sample of other students taking the tests.

Taking the test does not obligate the students to military service. They may use their test results as they see fit. Additionally, the results will not be used to enter names in any draft registration, according to Mrs. Colley.

Pictures delivered

Students who had their school days pictures taken Oct. 14 received them last Friday. Those who were absent on Picture Day can have theirs made Dec. 14.

As identification--

Principals given cards

Business cards for principals are the newest thing in Shelby County. The cards, all of the same basic design, were provided for all principals in the county.

Each card features the name and phone number of the school and principal and the slogan, "School is a Family Affair." They are printed in school colors.

According to MHS principal Joe Perkins, the cards have an interesting beginning.

While Dr. Norma Rogers, Valley Elementary principal, was working on the "School Is a Family Affair" program, she found that 7 out of 8 businesses contacted asked for a card.

The county office then decided that a business card for each school might be helpful at times.

NHS examines solar homes

National Honor Society explored local solar energy houses constructed by Mr. Terry Arnold, father of senior Ellen Arnold, Nov. 3, during activity period.

Honor Roll ribbons will be issued first semester by Honor Society members to students making A's and A's and B's.

Last week NHS members collected money for the Shelby Youth Services and Attention Home.

Sponsor Colleen Colley says other plans are being formed for the group.

Homecoming spirit coptured in pictures



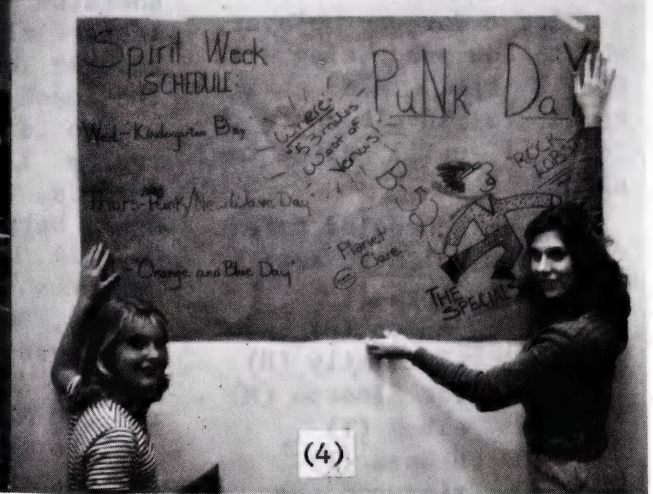
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MHS Homecoming '81 Snapshots tell story

SPOTLIGHT photographers highlight various aspects of homecoming spirit in the pictures above.

(1) **CANDY ANYONE?**--Cheerleaders boost spirit with candy for the crowd.

(2) **CHEERLEADERS PERFORM STUNT**--Cheerleaders entertain at the pep rally with a hanging pyramid.

(3) **THE BIG ANNOUNCEMENT**--Homecoming queen and attendants react joyfully to the news.

(4) **IS THIS STRAIGHT?**--Cheri Allen and Leigh Ann Fennell post sign for Spirit Week.

(5) **CREAM OF THE CROP**--Senior band members pose before their last halftime performance.

(6) **I CAN'T BELIEVE IT**--Homecoming queen Beth Hughes tries to let the news sink in.

Coach Wilson returns--

Cagers tipoff with Calera

Men's varsity basketball gets its schedule underway Nov. 20 against Calera.

If the Eagles are still involved in football play-offs at that time and have to delay basketball, the Bulldogs will travel to Pelham to open the season.

"There is nobody assured of a starting position; they will all have to work for it," comments Coach Kurt Pnazeck.

Except for one player, who is now practicing with the B team, the entire squad is involved with football until after tonight's game.

Games scheduled before Christmas holidays are:

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| Nov. 20 | Calera (T) |
| 24 | Clanton (H) |
| Dec. 1 | Holy Family (H) |
| 3 | West Blocton (H) |
| 4 | Pelham (T) |
| 3 | Chelsea (T) |
| 10 | Briarwood (H) |
| 11 | Thompson (UM) |
| 14 | Calera Tourn. |

New seasons open for hunters

Deer season opens Nov. 20 and continues through Jan. 13 for hunters in Chilton, Bibb and Shelby and several other designated counties in the state.

Doe days or hunter's choice (except for spotted fawns) are Dec. 26 and 27 for Shelby Countians. Chilton County hunters may take their does Dec. 24-Dec. 27. Bibb County does not have a doe season. Bucks are limited to one a day as are does. One each can be taken during the doe season.

Gobblers in Chilton and Shelby can be taken Nov. 20-Jan. 13, with a one-a-day limit and a limit of five during fall and spring seasons combined. Bibb County hunters must wait, as their only season opens Mar. 20 and ends Apr. 25.

Female varsity plans year

Lady Bulldog cagers for the 1981-82 season were selected Oct. 29. The Bulldogs have five returning from last year's squad. They are seniors Lessie Gaddis, Ruth Perkins, Tanya Staffney, and Debra Tyus, and junior Genie Jones.

Seniors Mary Chism, Jahn Bolling, juniors Felecia McCord, Sophomores Ellen Finley, Carol Fulmer, Tabatha McCary, and freshman Carol Paschel are other members of the team. Pocene Gentry and Vicki Williams are the managers.

Team organized

Girls' junior varsity basketball is the latest addition to the MHS athletic field. Agriculture teacher Tony Berry will be the coach this year.

The team is made up of twelve 7th, 8th and 9th graders, including Fran Agee, Debra Andrews, Tammy Conwell, Lisa Devinner, Marietta Fields, Monica Fields, Bell Grayson, Donna Grayson, Marcella Hayes, Tiwanna Kemp, Ginger Lucas and Rhonda Thomas.

The team is practicing at present at the Middle School after school Monday through Thursday.

Mrs. Sue Wilson, who led the 'Dogs to a 11-1 record last season before losing out in regional play, will again coach the squad.

The 'Dogs have 13 regular season games, opening with Vincent Nov. 7, at 6 p.m. at home. This will be Vincent's first game of their first season ever.

MHS's schedule will be a little tougher this year facing 3A Berry and Clanton twice. The Bulldogs will also host the county tournament Jan. 13-22.

(Lessie Gaddis)

Wrestlers set meets

This year's wrestling squad will boast seven returnees, with only one (Rusty Nix) lost to graduation last year.

Practice begins Nov. 16 for the wrestling team's second year. According to Coach David Bailey, his team's goal is "to have at least six in the state tournament this year."

The team's schedule for December is:

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| Dec. 4-5 | St. Clair Tourn.
at Odenville |
| Dec. 7 | Dora, H, 7 p.m. |
| 10 | Oak Grove, T, 7 p.m. |
| 17 | Calera, H, 2 p.m. |



THESE HANG 'EM UP!

Seniors playing their last high school football game tonight are (front) Allen Thompson, (2nd row) Fitz Williams, Sammy Nix, (3rd row) Glenn Hamrick, Tim Jones, (back) Steve Glosson, Rex Wallace, Jesse Holsomback, Chuck Killingsworth. Not pictured: Mike Peacock, Lloyd Pickett.

Bulldogs win, 20-12--

Blocton falls prey to MHS

Coach Richard Gilliam's Bulldogs gave Blocton's Tigers a 20-12 homecoming defeat when MHS journeyed to West Blocton last week.

Sophomore Jeff Chism was leading ground gainer for the 'Dogs with 13 rushes for 59 yards. Michael Grayson was leading pass receiver; he had 3 receptions for 83 yards. Both Chism and Grayson scored TD's.

Tigers light board first

The Tigers scored first on a one-yd. run with 11:57 left in the second period. On the following kickoff junior quarterback Howard Gaddis returned the kick 81 yards for the Bulldogs' first TD.

Chism ran the PAT for an 8-6 lead for MHS.

With 5:49 lead in the second quarter, the Tigers picked up a Bulldog fumble on MHS's 47 and ran it in for their second score, making the count 12-8.

Pass pays off

Gaddis passed 27 yards to Grayson for another Bulldog touchdown.

Chism ran it in from 10 yards out with 47 seconds left before halftime for the final score, 20-12.

Stewart wins honor in Area

Volleyball
Joyce Stewart was named to the All-Area team after the Lady Bulldogs took second place in the Area tournament at Vincent, Oct. 22. Vincent's Yellow-jackets won the title.

MHS Tourney Games

Chelsea 15-4; 15-6
Chelsea 8-15, 15-5, 15-11
Vincent 15-9, 16-14

Ending their season with a 21-13 record, the 'Dogs had a victory over Pelham Oct. 19 and a loss to Pelham the next day.

For Homecoming--

'Dogs face TCTS

Tonight as the Bulldogs take on the Talladega County Training School Tigers, they will be playing the last scheduled contest between the two teams. For next year, TCTS is assigned to another area for state play. MHS will pick up B. B. Comer to replace the Tigers.

Ten MHS seniors will be playing before the Homecoming crowd for the last time as high school gridsters.

Coach Richard Gilliam comments, "TCTS has good speed and quickness."

Senior Rex Wallace comments on his four years at MHS. "I think it was a privilege to play under two of the best coaches in the county."

Bulldog Growls--

Young teams earn attention

by Lessie Gaddis

MHS junior varsity volleyball and football teams are congratulated for their play this season. These teams represented Montevallo High in Shelby County as well as in the surrounding areas.

Coaches will be looking forward to having these young students as varsity players in years coming up.

Both teams sported winning records. The volleyball team finished its first season 9-3; the football team went 5-2-1.

Although there isn't a county or area tournament for these groups to participate in, they are recognized and remembered for their "good" work as MHS athletes.



Pictures made for yearbook

by Gladys Brasher

Club pictures for the middle school's yearbook, **THE MIDDLE YEARS** were made Nov. 4.

Today the first issue of **THE MIDDLE STAR** comes out. The paper, staffed by members of National Junior Honor Society, is sponsored by 7th grade teacher Emily Pendleton.

NJHS members will travel to Thompson Middle School today to officially establish a NJHS chapter.

MMS's recently elected NJHS officers are 3th graders Scott Austin, president; and Cynthia Pickett, vice president.

Mr. and Miss MMS were chosen at the Fall Festival, Oct. 30. Sixth graders Kristy Pate and Andy Ballard won the honors.

Class sells mums for homecoming

Journalism students contributed to Homecoming by selling mums and boutonnieres. Mums, which sold for \$3.75, are white with a blue M in the center, with orange and blue streamers.

Boutonnieres, which cost \$1.50, are white carnations with a blue M in the center.

Orders totaled 38 mums and 7 boutonnieres, resulting in a \$64.50 profit for the SPOTLIGHT staff.

Eleven students made the all A honor roll at the Montevallo Elementary School. They are:

2nd grade: Kendal Clark, Dena Harris, Donnie Holsomback, Heather Sullivan.

3rd grade: Kathy Polk.

4th grade: Rebecca Blake, Jennifer Crocker, Deidre Doss, Renee Robertson, Joyce Smith and Sandy Wilder.

Seventy-six students made the A-B honor roll.

BAND BOOSTERS

Meet Monday Night

7:30 in the auditorium

Troubadours will perform

Couples to pose

Homecoming pictures will be available at the dance for \$8. The package of pictures will include two 5x7 and ten wallet size photos.

Students should make checks payable to Waldrup Studios.

Parents to be identified at game

Tonight homecoming fans will meet parents of football team members. The parents will wear identification tags giving their son's name and his team number. They will gather on the football field at halftime and be introduced to the crowd.

"The presentation is in keeping with the county's theme, 'School Is a Family Affair,'" explains business teacher Susie DeMent who is in charge of the program.

"It is also the school's way of showing our appreciation for these and all our parents," she adds.

Library plans include films

by Michael Staggs

Librarian Melissa Martin announces that freshmen, sophomores and juniors will attend a special showing of "Romeo and Juliet," Dec. 17, at the Strand.

"We're still trying to arrange for seniors to see it," Miss Martin says.

The three top readers in the Readorama were sophomore John Hawkins, freshman Tim Thompson and freshman Karen Cochran.

John read 204 books and will receive a portable radio; while Tim read 145, and Karen, 65.

New books in the library are I Ain't Much, Baby, but I'm all I Got by Jess Lair, Ph.D.; The Secret of Staying in Love by John Powell; Childhood and Society by Erik H. Erickson; and Values Clarification by Sidney B. Simon and associates.

Miss Martin reminds the faculty that anyone wanting to include anything on the monthly calendar should contact her.



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OUTSTANDING CITIZENS

Guidance counselor Colleen Colley tells senior Ellen Arnold she was chosen for the DAR Good Citizen Award with senior Sammy Nix as runner-up.

Ellen awarded DAR title

✓✓ Senior Ellen Arnold, along with runner-up Sammy Nix, has been elected by the MHS faculty as the 1981-82 recipient of the DAR Good Citizen Award. Nominations were held within the senior class and were confirmed Nov. 16 at a teachers' meeting.

Students considered for the DAR Award must have the qualifications of leadership, which includes personality, self-control, ability to assume responsibility; dependability--truthfulness, loyalty, punctuality; service--cooperation, courtesy, consideration of others; patriotism--unselfish interest in family, school, community and nation to an outstanding degree.

Upon receiving this award, Ellen must complete a questionnaire which includes school activities, home, church and community service, future plans, interests and hobbies and a description of what the four qualities of a DAR citizen mean to her. She must also write an essay with the title "Our American Heritage and Our Responsibility for Preserving It."

Ellen will also receive a DAR Good Citizen pin and certificate.

"I'm very honored," Ellen states. "I hope I can represent MHS well."

Society honors leading seniors

Eighteen MHS seniors were named to the Society of Distinguished High School students last week, according to guidance counselor Colleen Colley.

These students maintained an A average in all high school work and exemplified high standards of leadership and service.

Ellen Arnold, Dennis Beers, Gladys Brasher, Rhonda Edwards, Lessie Gaddis, Jeff Gentry, Beth Hughes, Mary Klemenc, Taylor Lawrence, Patricia Lesley, Anna Lott, Sammy Nix, Mike Peacock, Robyn Perkins, Kenny Pruitt, Michele Readal, Gretchen Riesener and Krislin Stewart completed biographical data to send to the Society's headquarters.

They will also be able to try for scholarships. Certificates of membership in the Society will be presented on Awards Day.

Mrs. Colley praises, "We are proud to have such a large group of seniors to receive the honor."

Thanksgiving brings vacation

Thanksgiving holidays will begin for MHSers today at 2:45, and school will not resume until next Monday morning at 7:55.

The next holidays for students and faculty at MHS will be the Christmas holidays, which are scheduled for Dec. 19-Jan. 3.

At Dec. 5 competition--

Club to 'storm' Samford

Five members of the drama club will enter the dramatics competition at Samford University Dec. 5.

Seniors Ellen Arnold, Taylor Lawrence, Anna Lott, and Paul Spicer, and junior Sally McMillan are the cast of "The Storm" the play chosen for the event by sponsor Barbara Belisle.

The 30-minute play will be presented for the student body Friday, Dec. 4.

The cast has been practicing every day after school since Nov. 9, with the help of Mrs. Belisle and stage crew members.

"This is going to be a challenge for our group because we will be against some stiff competition--groups who have been doing this for years," comments Mrs. Belisle. "However, I feel that it will be a rewarding experience. I'll put my group up against anybody's!"

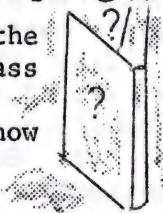
The drama club will also present a Christmas play entitled "Gifts of Myrrh" in December.

Slides to give yearbook preview

Students in the publications class will present a preview slide show of the yearbook Nov. 30. After the show, members of the class will take orders for the yearbooks.

According to class advisor Melissa Martin, the slides will be shown to advertise the yearbook.

"If we get at least 250 orders, we will be able to sell the books for \$10 a piece," Miss Martin says. "Unless we get 250, we'll have to sell them for \$15."



Game set

The Lady Bulldogs will play Thompson this afternoon before MHS's student body.

Admission of 50¢ will be collected by 5th period teachers for the 1:30 game.

Good grades end six weeks

Principal Joe Perkins cited 38 students for grades of A's and B's for the 2nd six weeks. They are seniors--Ellen Arnold, Gladys Brasher, Marilyn Cunningham, Rhonda Edwards, Jeff Gentry, Beth Hughes, Mary Klemenc, Taylor Lawrence, Anna Lott, Sammy Nix, Robyn Perkins, Lloyd Pickett, Gretchen Riesener, Paul Spicer and Krislin Stewart.

Juniors on the list were Ahrian Davis, Terri Johnson, Mark Jones, Wendy Knox, Lois Lacey, Sally McMillan, Keith Studdard, Meredith Walker, Pam White, Chris Wilder, Joy Williams, Vicki Williams.

Sophomores cited were Laurie Davidson, Susan Hardin, John Hawkins, Stanley Hopkins, Kay Klemenc, Charles Nairvar, Nancy Shinnick and Erin Spicer. Freshmen with top grades were Kim Harris, Bert Lott and Carla Missildine.

It's News Downtown--

Theater offers special features

The Strand has begun a late night show starting at 10 p.m. on Friday and Saturday nights. Admission is \$2. This weekend's movie is Spirits of the Dead.

Wednesday night is "Econo Night," with the regular movie offered for \$2.

Montevallo Park and Recreation Board has announced a series of family films to be shown at the center. The next showing is set for Dec. 2; admission is 25¢. For more information, contact Mr. Bill Vann, 665-7143.

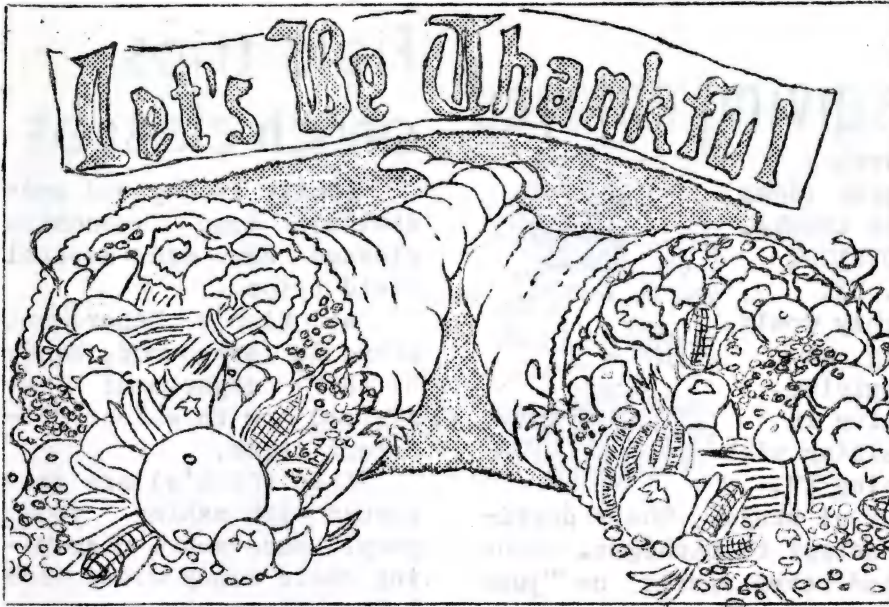


Moore's Crossroads has received new additions recently. A fireworks stand has been set up which opens on Saturdays.

The Crystal Cross Station is under the new management of Mr. Hoyt Hicks.

Lynn's Clothing Outlet and Antique Shop specializes in Levis and designer jeans.

Mrs. Lynn Vernon's store is located off Hwy. 155 and is open from 9:00 to 5:00 on Mondays through Saturdays and from 1:00 to 5:00 on Sundays. The shop opened on Nov. 14.



Special day is time to reflect

Tomorrow is Thanksgiving Day, a national holiday.

The first Thanksgiving was a religious celebration in which the Pilgrims gave thanks with feasting and prayer. The first official Thanksgiving, in 1623, was a day set aside strictly for thanking God.

Today, Thanksgiving is a time for happy family reunions and delicious foods. It seems, though, that the original meaning of the day is often lost in all the confusion.

Sometime tomorrow, each of us needs to take a moment to remember the reason we are celebrating this day. We need to reflect back on our blessings and be thankful for them.

Staff praised

Recognition goes to the 1981-82 MONTALA staff for their excellent planning and hard work this year.

Because of inflation, parts of the yearbook have to be cut in order to make it affordable. But, because of the staff's diligent fundraising work, the book will cost only \$10.

Homework disturbs some

Dear Editor:

I am writing on behalf of several disturbed students about the incredible strain being produced from the high quantity of homework.

It is agreed that homework is necessary for a continual mental growth, however, some teachers fail to recognize that a constant stress is not healthy.

Teachers hold students responsible for heavy homework assignments, hopeless equations, research papers, book reports, unreasonable formulas, regular tests and reading requirements. These would not normally be unusual, but it must be remembered that students attend six classes during the day and receive assignments from many teachers.

There are those teachers that allow the students to select their own testing date, as well as spacing homework assignments and offering special help to students.

Students require guidance during school, but this should not come to the extent of harassment to learn.

...Michael Staggs

Pronks spell danger

In the past few weeks, several students have come close to being injured by carelessly thrown firecrackers in the halls.

Not only are fire-works dangerous, they are also illegal on school property. In the future, the student (s) who threw the firecrackers should remember the law.

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With family, friends--

Typical Thanksgiving enjoyed

by Taylor Lawrence

Thanksgiving usually conjures ideas of turkey, dressing, family and thanks. This held true in a recent SPOTLIGHT survey, conducted Friday, Nov. 13.

Students were asked what they would be doing, where they were going, and what they thought about Thanksgiving. The average MHSer will be staying in Montevallo, eating turkey, visiting with family and relatives and watching TV.

A small 18% will travel out of state. Their destinations are varied, from Mississippi to Michigan. Others will hunt, play football and other sports or "just hang around."

Although turkey was the overwhelming favorite, other preferences included ham, chicken and cranberry sauce. Cake and pies got an affectionate 5%.

Although most students said that they were thankful for food, others pointed out America and freedom as something to be very thankful for.

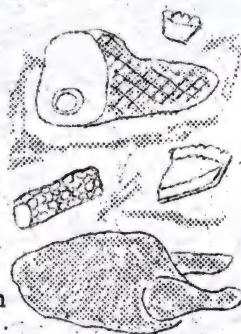
Others emphasized their family and friends. And well over half mentioned life in general.

Class studies Shakespeare

Mrs. Delilah Robinson's college prep English students have begun studying William Shakespeare's Macbeth. Class members were each assigned characters in the play and are reading it aloud.

"My greatest desire in this endeavor is for students to develop insight, understanding and appreciation for Shakespeare," says Mrs. Robinson.

When the play is completed, the students will write papers concerning the play.



Holiday approaches

Christmas has slipped up again this year, and soon everyone will be shopping for that "perfect gift."

Speaking of shopping, there are only 25 shopping days 'til Christmas.

Car owners sport decors

by Michael Staggs

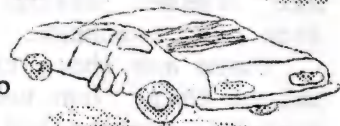
"When you've seen one car, you've seen 'em all." Not so, at least not at MHS.

Recently students have begun to show a flair for fine showmanship in automobiles as the number of vehicles at MHS continues to increase.

Students have begun to show interest in the elaborate decorations used on their "wheels." These unique features include engines that would make race car driver Bobby Allison proud. Exotic paint jobs and chrome mags that could even inspire Leonardo de Vinci are also included in the excitement.

Miniature fortunes have been spent on above-the-ordinary sound systems. Students purchase high powered speakers, radios and boosters that can literally shake the doors. Among the vehicles most popular with MHS students are the Firebirds, Z-28's, Novas, custom vans, and powerful pick-up trucks.

Inventor Henry Ford once stated, "I can make a car any color you want it, as long as it's black." Perhaps Mr. Ford should have come to Montevallo.



Field trips enrich classes

Family living and specialized home economics classes have made several field trips.

At Rich's Department Store in Brookwood, heads of each department explained how to select different items.

"They (Rich's) are concerned with making young people more aware of spending their money wiser and being better customers.

"It's something you can not get from a classroom, because we were shown good and bad examples of quality," explains teacher Jane Darden.

They also visited a photography studio and Lacey's Jewelry in Montevallo.

In family living--

Wedding vows exchanged

Last Friday the first period family living class presented two mock wedding ceremonies. They were held at the home economics department

Sophomore Kelvin Thompson conducted the wedding and junior Aretha Paschel sang Endless Love. The first ceremony had six couples: Jesse Holsomback-Aretha Paschel; Shawn Dennis-Sherry Moore; Nikita Bolling- Vicki Williams; Ricky Dobson-Sally Swain; Leslie Rutledge-Debbie Dailey; and Tony Haggins-Mary Mayweather.

In closing, Kelvin Thompson led the congregation in the Lord's Prayer.

Seven couples took part in the second ceremony: Daniel Thompson-Deana Floyd; Cagle Rochester-Wendy Knox; Bobby Crowe-Sandy Greer; Michael Knox-Angela Gaines; Jerome Holmes - Deborah Sailes; Clay Gaines-Renee Hughes; and Pamela White-Meredith Walker.

In closing, the Lord's Prayer was sung by teacher Barbara Belisle.

"It gave us a look at how marriages are performed. We learned they are more complicated than you think," notes Aretha.

Plans formed

Recently members of the MONTALA staff were visited by a representative of the Taylor Publishing Company, Mr. David Turner.

"He commented that next year, MONTALA should be sent to contest for judging," says sponsor Melissa Martin.

She adds, "The purpose of the visit was to provide the staff with some constructive criticism."

Along with plans for contest, the staff has been making plans to challenge the faculty to a volleyball game.

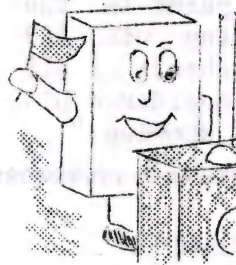
The game will be held before Christmas holidays with finances going to the yearbook.

Band will march

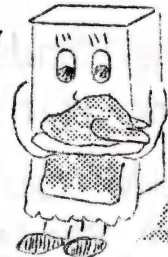
On Dec. 5 the Troubadours will provide the music for Santa's arrival as Montevallo's Christmas parade moves down Main Street.

Locker Laughs--

Calculator produces pun



When school's out today,
Toward home we'll all fly
To eat a big turkey
And Thanksgiving pie.
Returning on Monday,
We'll heave a long sigh;
But Locker Laughs will
Keep our spirits high.



During 4th period trig class, senior Gladys Brasher told instructor Doug Morris she had something new and exciting. "What is it," asked Mr. Morris, "a new boyfriend?"

"No," replied Gladys, "it's a calculator."

"Well, I guess you can really 'count' on that," quipped senior Krislin Stewart.

Joe Glasgow announced it to the band.

Sophomore Shan Davis commented, "I don't see what's so great about getting a bellybutton."

During the mock wedding ceremony in family living, preacher Kelvin Thompson said, "If any one has any reason why these should not be married, speak now or forever hold your peace."

He then announced, "I pronounce each of you customers husband and wife."

Senior class pics returned

Monday morning at 8:00 the long-awaited senior portraits finally arrived. Seniors reported to the library in alphabetical order to receive them.

Students had to pay the balance on their package before they received it.

Senior portraits for the yearbook were also returned. Those who paid the \$10 will have their pictures in color.

"I was really pleased with the results," states senior class president Robyn Perkins. "I hope the students are pleased with them."

Lady 'Dogs get big wins

Lady Bulldogs started their basketball season on a winning note, smashing Vincent 55-8, Nov. 12., and defeating Pelham Nov. 17, 60-30.

With three players in double figures, the 'Dogs hit 26 of 47 field goals for 55% shooting from the field against Vincent. Seniors Tanya Staffney, Lessie Gaddis and Debra Tyus had 16, 14 and 13 points respectively.

The 'Dogs pulled down 23 offensive and 30 defensive rebounds. Staffney was leader with 15; Tyus captured 9.

Popping in 32 of their 60 points in the first half against Pelham, the Bulldogs were paced by point guard Gaddis with 23.

Staffney, Ruth Perkins and Tyus added 12, 11 and 10 points to the board, as the team shot 48% from the field.

Tough competition is ahead for the females as they face Berry at home today and Thompson tomorrow.

Cheerleaders do routine at UM tourney

MHS cheerleaders performed during the University of Montevallo Invitational Tip-Off Tournament this past week.

The squad did a pom-pom routine at halftime for Saturday night's game.

Mrs. Kathy Sellers, wife of Falcons' assistant coach, invited the cheerleaders to perform. Mrs. Sellers is in charge of halftime entertainment for the Falcons.

"I feel it was a great honor for the girls," comments sponsor Melissa Martin.

Wilder earns state prize

✓ Freshman Jennifer Wilder clocked in at 12 min., 57 sec. in the 2-mile run of the State Cross-Country championship, Nov. 21, to win second place in 1A-2A varsity girls' competition.

The meet, held at the Azalea City Golf Course in Mobile, attracted runners from all over the state. Jennifer competed against 50 girls in her class.

Freshman Kevin Colley also participated in the event, running with 143 boys from schools of all sizes. He considered his time a "good showing."

Coach urges support--

Wrestling practice begins

Wrestlers took to the mats Monday, Nov. 16, for their first day of practice. There are 6 returning matmen and 12 new members, all under the direction of Coach David Bailey and UM freshman Bobby Sommers, who will assist him.

On Dec. 4 and 5 the team will travel to Odenville for their first match of the season, the St. Clair Tournament. Their first home match will be on Dec. 7 against Dora at 4 p.m.

Recently acquired equipment for the wrestlers includes a new mat and a set of scales. Coach Bailey wants to "generate interest at home this year." He urges everyone to "come out and support the team in this exciting sport."

Junior team starts season

Junior varsity basketball players started practice Nov. 11 under the direction of Coach Richard Gilliam.

With freshman Ricky Gaddis the only Bullpup returning, the team has ten 7th graders, twelve 8th graders and fourteen 9th graders on the roster.

Practice will be alternated with the girls' varsity team at Montevallo Middle School.

Coach Gilliam says he doesn't know what to expect from his team since he had to "start from scratch."

Here is the Bullpups' schedule through December:

Nov. 30	Chelsea	H
Dec. 3	Thompson	T
7	Pelham	H
8	Chelsea	T
10	Briarwood	H
11	Briarwood	T
17	Shelby Co.	T

'Dogs end season with win

Ripping Talladega County Training School 26-13, the Bulldogs claimed a 1981 homecoming victory to end the season with a 6-4 record.

MHS dominated the first half, scoring on their first possession as they went 63 yards in 6 plays. Senior Tim Jones led the drive with a 36-yd. run, moving the ball to the TCTS 19. A few plays later, sophomore Jeff Chism scampered across from 4 yards out to put Montevallo on the scoreboard. Senior Mike Peacock added the PAT.

Blackwell intercepts

Early in the second quarter, sophomore Taylor Blackwell broke up a TCTS drive with an interception on MHS's 9-yd. line. Six plays later, T. Jones raced 79 yards for the Bulldogs' third touchdown.

Tigers fight back

TCTS came out in the second half with a comeback in mind, allowing MHS only 8 yards in the third quarter. The Tigers drove 63 yards for their first touchdown.

In the fourth period, junior J. J. Moore ended the Bulldogs' scoring with a 24-yd. dive play.

With only 13 seconds remaining and MHS reserves in play, TCTS scored again for a final count of 26-13.

Before Auburn game--

Bulldog Growls--

County teams go to state

by Lessie Gaddis
Congratulations go to Calera and Thompson for their fine play this season which earned them playoff berths in state competition in football.



Both teams had first round wins. Thompson advanced to the third round, while Calera lost to Dadeville last Friday.

Both 2A Calera (10-0) and 3A Thompson (8-2) have received much support from their student body, faculty and communities. The two schools have also been recognized by local television shows.

They have also won the backing of Shelby County for they have represented our area as well as their own schools.

These teams are commended for their fine performances on the football field this season.

MHS to hold sports banquet

The Montevallo Athletic Boosters will host a football, volleyball and cross country track banquet Dec. 5 at the Anna Irwin Room on the UM campus, at 6:30.

Mr. Keith Pugh, former split end for the Alabama Crimson Tide, will be the speaker. He is now the North Alabama representative for the Fellowship of Christian Athletes.

"I am excited about the speaker, Mr. Pugh," comments Coach Richard Gilliam.

Coach adds, "The purpose of the banquet is to honor the athletes and students who help with the program."

Principal Joe Perkins will award the Principal's Trophy to the senior athlete with the highest academic average.

A buffet menu will be served featuring various salads, green vegetables and fried chicken.

Survey shows Bama on top

As Alabama rolled over Penn State's Nittany Lions 31-16 two weeks ago, Coach "Bear" Bryant tied Amos Alonzo Stagg's record of 314 football wins.

This weekend Alabama and Auburn will meet on the gridiron for the 45th time since 1893. Alabama has won 27 times; Auburn, 17; and there has been one tie.

Bama's record this season is 8-1-1 and Auburn's is 5-5 going into the game Saturday.

According to a recent SPOTLIGHT survey, MHS has 175 Alabama fans and 49 Auburn fans. Senior Beth Hughes remarks, "Auburn probably won't win, but they will give Alabama a good game."

Classmate Michael Boothe observes, "Alabama will win because they have such a great coach and the team will be trying to help Coach Bryant break Stagg's record."

Air time for the game which will be nationally televised is 2:45 on channel 6.

The thought's the thing--

Christmas gift ideas given

by Rhonda Edwards

Believe it or not, Christmas is just around the corner and students must once again decide on gifts for friends and family. For those who are puzzled about what to give a friend, the mind-boggling Rubik's cube is an original idea. Ribbons, barrettes or even socks are ideal gifts for a girl. A dinner for two is a special gift for a guy to give his girl.

Most guys receive after-shave lotion or cologne as Christmas presents each year. More original ideas are cassette tapes, pen and pencil sets or calculators. Monogrammed shirts or sweaters are useful gifts for a brother.

Of course, there are the more expensive gifts such as the new stuffed Bear Bryant teddy bears. There are only 315 of the bears in the \$2,500 price range, however; but others may be had for prices from \$250 to \$50 to \$16.50.

For the more economically minded giver there are less expensive homemade gifts such as fudge, gingerbread men, brownies or plaster ornaments.

The best thing to remember when deciding what to give is "it's not what is given, but the thought that goes into it."

Homecoming proves success

Homecoming turned out "rather well" for the Student Council which sponsored the event, according to council president Beth Hughes. "A profit of \$286 was made at the door of the dance after policemen were paid, but several bills are still outstanding," Beth reports.

"Despite the delay of the game and the shortened dance, it proved to be a good homecoming," Beth says. "I think it turned out real well," she adds.

Shirts show signatures

Juniors are now sporting new class jerseys.

The jerseys are white with royal blue sleeves and feature junior class autographs centered around a "Class of '83" emblem.

The jerseys were awarded to juniors for selling a total of 10 magazine subscriptions. They could also be purchased for \$8 by any of the junior class members.

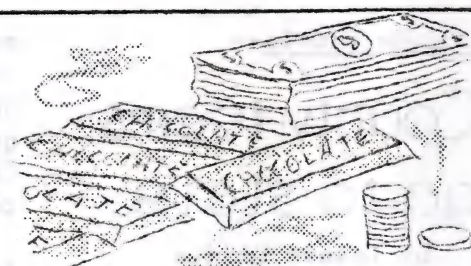
El-Mid News--

Students sell chocolates

by Gladys Brasher

Montevallo Middle School sold "The World's Finest Chocolate" for their annual candy sale. The school hopes to make a profit of \$1,500 on the candy, selling for \$1 a bar. Money goes to the library fund and for general use.

Today the movie Freaky Friday is being shown as a special holiday treat according to Mrs. Jane Jones, school secretary.



Mr. Joe Heilig spoke to the student body at MMS Nov. 17.

Representing the "All Citizens Action Program," Mr. Heilig discussed drugs and alcoholism and their effects on the body.

Montevallo Elementary School has a new faculty member. Mrs. Lisa David now teaches fourth grade at the school.

Club hears UM professor

Dr. Angela Hernandez, chairman of the math/physics department at the University of Montevallo, spoke to the math club last Tuesday during activity period. She discussed varying attitudes toward mathematics and how a student can develop a positive one.

Dr. Hernandez, a full professor with a PhD in mathematics, is teaching her fortieth semester at UM. She comments, "I enjoy speaking to high school groups, for it is there that they begin their attitudes for future education."

For college-bound seniors--

Counselor suggests planning

by Ellen Arnold

SENIORS WHO PLAN TO ENTER COLLEGE next fall need to be filling out applications "right now," according to counselor Colleen Colley. Students who already know what school they will attend should send in registrations soon, especially if they plan to live on campus, Mrs. Colley says. Dormitories usually fill up rapidly, especially in large universities.

For those seniors who are not certain which school they will attend, Mrs. Colley advises a visit to each of the schools under consideration. She recommends careful study and comparison of catalogs.

"Talk to current students of the college," says Mrs. Colley. "This will give a firsthand opinion of the school."

According to Mrs. Colley, the quicker a scholarship application is turned in the better chance the applicant has of winning the scholarship. Most small private schools hold competitions for scholarships.

Many state colleges have a February deadline for applications.

As for the kind of scholarship to apply for, Mrs. Colley recommends checking into everything that is available. Some information is available in her office.

Officers named

Members of the Spanish club met recently to select this year's officers.

Sophomores Erin Spicer and Susan Hardin were elected president and vice president, respectively.

Secretary-treasurer is Taylor Blackwell.

"I am very pleased with the officers; we should have a good year," says sponsor Delilah Robinson.

Marine talks for assembly

Marine Captain Lee Jenkins spoke during MHS's Veterans Day program Nov. 10. His talk honored not only the war veterans but school veterans such as cheerleaders and football players as well.

The program also included patriotic music by the band, with Tracy James narrating "Duty, Honor, Country." Junior Aretha Paschel led the audience in singing the National Anthem.

Teacher Johnnie McClain gave the invocation, and Coach Richard Gilliam's wife Ola Faye Gilliam sang "God Bless America" as the benediction.

Senior Joyce Stewart was chairman of the committee in charge of the program. Classmates Rhonda Edwards and Beth Hughes assisted.

Library unit taught

Last week Mrs. Cathy Bearden's 9th grade English class studied a unit in the library. In class the students worked on activities and in the library they practiced using the card catalog, encyclopedias and magazines.

The unit was taught in order to familiarize the students with the MHS library and to enable them to make reports for their classes.

To start 3rd six weeks--

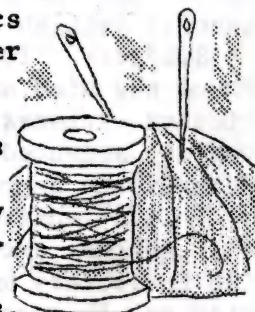
Class to begin sewing

Students in 5th period home economics class are preparing to start sewing under the direction of Mrs. Junnie Craig.

Each year the class chooses from a selection of the most fashionable styles during the season or the fashion at the particular time. This year the majority of the class chose the stylish and popular knickers (short knee pants), to be made of corduroy and cotton-type fabrics.

Mrs. Craig says sewing is important in one's daily life because it saves money and can help one earn extra funds through altering clothes for others. It also gives a feeling of pride and accomplishment as well as providing an interesting hobby and outlet for creativity.

Grading of this garment will be based on the construction, fitting, general appearance and the attitude of the students while working on it.



Activities keep FFAers busy

FFA members have been busy lately with a variety of activities, ranging from selling fruit to weighing steers.

The annual fruit sale raised \$500 for the group with 366 cases of fruit on order. As an extra incentive, 50¢ was awarded to the seller for each case sold after the first five. Greenhand Paul Bush sold the most.

Earlier in the year a hog raffle was held to also collect money for the club. Mr. Martin Jones won the hog.

Advanced agriculture III and IV recently built frames of model houses.

FFA members weighed steers for their average daily gain (ADG). Senior Sammy Nix's steer had the most gain with a 4.33 ADG. Freshman Alan Bice's was next with 4.24, and junior Tracy James's steer followed with a 3.33 ADG.

Class papers focus on mind

College preparatory English class has begun work on research papers under the instruction of teacher Delilah Robinson.

Subjects focusing around the mind are of particular interest, with topics selected varying from ESP to hypnotism.

To aid their research, the senior group went to the UM library for instruction on the use of microfilm, periodicals and the card catalog.

The class took a test on the use of the facility. Upon passing the test, students were issued a "blue card," which allows them to check out materials.

Program gives unique chances

Student Conservation Program is an opportunity for students to help agencies manage natural resources and conservation and recreational areas.

It is an outdoor educational experience that could possibly provide job qualifications.

Opportunities to hear speakers on conservation and learn more about natural resources are also available.

For additional information concerning this program students may write:

Student Conservation Association, Inc.
P.O. Box 550
Charlestown, NH 03603
The phone number is (603) 826-5206.

Art works grace front holls

As part of the Traveling Art Exhibit from the University of Montevallo, creative arts works were displayed in MHS's lobby recently. The exhibition will be stationed at various schools in the Shelby County area throughout the year.

This program is sponsored by the Arts and Humanities Council of Shelby County and the Alabama State Council on the Arts and Humanities.

Book reading raises money

by Michael Staggs

Funds have been turned in for the Leukemia Readorama, with MHS contributing \$102.14. Of the 26 students involved with the program, the following completed the given number of books:

John Hawkins	204
Tim Thompson	133
Karen Cochran	65
Paula Williams	15
Lisa Brasher	14
Wade Leach	10
Kay Klemenc	4

"These seven students should be commended for following through with the project," comments librarian Melissa Martin.

New books stacked in the library include Say It with Flowers and Plants by Ann Childs and Folk Music More than a Song by Kristin Baggelaar.

Also included are History of USA edited by Otto Zierer; Dr. Stillman's 14-Day Shape-Up Program by Irwin Stillman; Touch and Flag Football by Louis M. Marciani; Better Volleyball for Girls by George Sullivan.



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For holiday season--

School plans events

Two upcoming treats for MHS students include a Christmas play and a Christmas program next week.

The play, "Gifts of Myrrh," will be presented to the student body Wednesday, Dec. 16, by the drama club. Playing the leading roles are seniors Ben Peete and Andrea Roth, junior Terri Johnson and sophomore Shan Davis.

Other cast members are James Carter, Kevin Colley and Aretha Paschel. Mrs. Barbara Belisle, drama sponsor, is directing the play. She is assisted by co-director Felicia Phillips (MHS '81).

Admission for the play, which will be given in the auditorium at 9 a.m., is 50¢.

Also coming up next week is a Christmas program Friday, Dec. 18. The assembly at 2:00 p.m. is being coordinated by Mrs. Belisle.

Band performs musical gifts

Christmas music will be presented by MHS's symphonic band at 8:00 p.m., Dec. 17, in Palmer Hall. This is the first concert of the year for this group under the direction of their new director Joe Glasgow.

The program will include an overture to Handel's "Messiah" and "Sleigh Ride."

Also featured will be the beginning and intermediate bands from Montevallo Middle School.



LET'S GET IT RIGHT

Seniors Andrea Roth and Benjie Peete and junior Terri Johnson rehearse a scene from the Christmas play.

Students allowed 90 minutes--

Exam period lengthened

When students return to school on Monday, Jan. 4, from a two-week Christmas holiday, it will be time to start studying for mid-term examinations.

This year's schedule for taking exams has completely changed. Students will be given 90 minutes instead of having the usual one hour class period to take each test. All other classes will be shortened.

Shelby County Board of Education policy says that all students of the Shelby County School system are required to take mid-term exams, as well as tests given through the year.

The schedule for semester exams is as follows:

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Yule holidays to begin soon

Christmas holidays begin for MHS students and faculty Dec. 18 at 2:45. School will resume on Jan. 4, one week before semester exams begin.

After students have completed semester exams, they will have a holiday that same week on Friday, Jan. 15. The faculty will work at professional development meetings.

Neal wins money chain

Juniors sold magazines earlier this year to raise money for the prom. Top salesperson was junior Sally McMillan. She was awarded an AM/FM clock radio. Junior Scotty Neal was second high salesman.

To receive his prize, Scotty was required to jump a line of \$1 bills. The farther a person was capable of jumping, the more money he would win.

The jump was scheduled two weeks ago, but due to knee surgery, Scotty was unable to jump. Sophomore Shan Davis took his place and jumped 20 bills for Scotty's prize.

"I picked Shan for I knew he was a good jumper," Scotty says.

Mr. LaMan Sorrelles of the magazine company agreed, saying the record jump was a \$21 prize.

Spanish style holiday observed

¡Feliz Navidad! will be heard in Mrs. Delilah Robinson's Spanish I and II classes next week as they study a unit on Christmas customs in Spanish speaking countries.

Exams set -- (Cont.)

Jan. 12-1st and 6th pds.

Jan. 13-2nd and 5th pds.

Jan. 14-3rd and 4th pds.

"Examinations are an integral part of classroom work, because they force teachers and students to review, analyze and to, some extent, comprehend material that has been presented over a period of time," comments Principal Joe Perkins.

'The Storm' rates 'good'

Members of "The Storm" cast received an overall "good" rating for their performance in the district qualifying competition at Samford University last Saturday. Only "superior" rated shows were invited on to state competition.

Only three of the thirteen shows received "superior." Two shows received "excellent," and three other productions, along with MHS, received "good." Four shows were dubbed "fair."

Schools in Montevallo's class to earn top ratings were Ramsay, Ensley and School of Fine Arts, all of Birmingham.

"Although we didn't receive a top rating, we did excellent, in my opinion," comments director Barbara Belisle.

"We just don't have the experience about staging, play selection and those things needed to receive a 'superior.'"

Statewide competition for all "superior" district shows will be at the University of Alabama-Birmingham in February.

Cheerleaders gain praise

UM basketball coach Terry Sellers recently praised MHS cheerleaders.

In a note, Coach Sellers complimented the "fantastic performance" given at the UM Invitational Tip-Off Tournament by the pom-pom swinging group.

Addressing the cheerleaders, Coach Sellers commented, "We appreciate all of the hard work you did in preparing for our game. We appreciate your willingness to entertain for us."

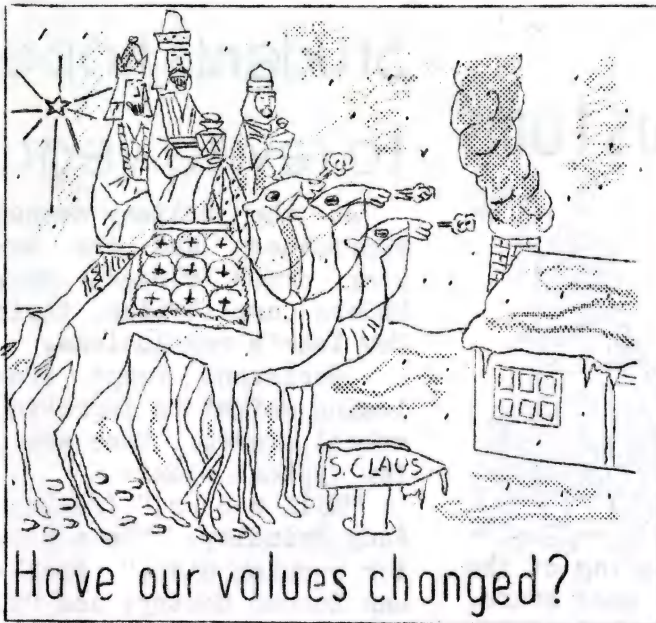
"I am certainly proud of the cheerleaders ... and they consistently amaze me with their performances," states Principal Joe Perkins.

Party held

On Dec. 1, the library club had a Christmas party, complete with games and gifts.

To play Charades, each student used a favorite book for the game.

Miss Melissa Martin, club sponsor says, "Students who participated in the games showed good imagination."



Attitudes hinder class

Dear Editor:

Complaints! Criticisms! Controversies! Lately these have become a major role in the life of a senior at MHS. Last year this class exemplified itself as one of the best classes at MHS. There was a lot of enthusiasm, ambition and friendship.

But this trend is changing, as our attitudes are changing. Our feelings are geared more to what we want rather than how it will affect others. It would be a shame to let this stand in our way of being the best class at MHS.

If we would just realize that we need to join together as the "Class of '82" and not as separate little cliques, then we could be the best.

Please keep this in mind, and don't let the friendship, ambition and enthusiasm fade away.

Robyn Perkins

Senior Class President



Staff writes wishes

This holiday season we would like to express our warm wishes to the students and faculty of MHS. We hope that Christmas vacation will be a time of joy and delight for everyone.

Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year!

SPOTLIGHT Staff

Holiday removes boundaries

Reading the daily news, listening to the nightly TV broadcast, or hearing the whine of an ambulance or police car are constant reminders of the "brokenness" and strife that bring so much pain to our world. Angry words and rudeness frequently bring even more separation and hatred.

In the midst of this atmosphere, emerges a marvelous season of joy, peace and love. The spirit of the Christmas season comes to us in our differences and separation and urges, "Oh, Come All Ye Faithful."

It is refreshing to realize that Christmas breaks down barriers and provides a special glue of love and sharing that can bind us together and enrich our lives throughout the year. May it be so for all of us at MHS.

Colleen Colley, Counselor

Situation distresses student

Dear Editor:

As a concerned student of Montevallo High School, I believe there is an alarming rate of racism among our student body. I believe that we should not divide ourselves into groups such as "White Folk" and "Black Folk," but stand united as a whole.

We should be the students of Montevallo High School, the citizens of Alabama, the people of these United States of America.

Shan Davis
Sophomore

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For Christmas celebration--

Foreign ideas start customs

by Gretchen Riesener

CHRISTMAS DECORATIONS AND TRADITIONS ARE VARIED in the U.S. with origins coming from several different countries. For instance, the belief of Santa Claus originated from an old Norse legend that the goddess Hertha appeared in the fireplace and brought good luck to the home.

Ideas of decorating with the Christmas tree came from the Scandinavians who at first worshipped trees. When they became Christians, evergreen trees were made a part of their Christian festivals. Decorating of the tree itself was started by the Germans, who used stars, angels, toys, gilded nuts and candies. They later included tinsel and lighted candles.

Star in the East

The star is used everywhere because it represents the Star in the East, mentioned in the Bible.

Lights at Christmas represent Christ as the Light of the World. This custom was started by Martin Luther.

The Yule Log

Burning of the Yule Log came from the Norse and Anglo-Saxons. They burned an oak log once a year to honor the god of thunder.

Music during Christmas started in the Christian Church as musical prayers. Singing began with priests strolling around in their parishes. This custom became known as caroling.

One of the most delightful traditions is the hanging of mistletoe. The custom is believed to have started with Druid priests giving plant sprigs as a charm.

Today, anyone caught standing under the mistletoe must kiss the person who caught him.

The last and most enjoyable tradition is the exchanging of gifts. This has become one of the joyous ways of celebrating Christmas and was inspired by the gifts of the Magi.



Tree adorns room

Mr. Doug Morris' 4th period trigonometry class will put up and decorate a Christmas tree in the cafeteria next week.

It has been a tradition at MHS for several years for this group to deck the lunchroom during the holiday season.

Class builds, celebrates, travels

Agriculture I students are "full swing" into woodworking. The groups' projects include porch swings, roll type bread boxes, gun cabinets, gun racks and bee hives. After finishing masonry work, Ag II students began woodworking. They are making presents for the Christmas season.

On Dec. 2 the six high salesmen from the FFA homecoming hog raffle went out for pizza at Ranelli's. They are Billy James, Michael Martin, Antonio DeVould, Ronnie Argo, Danny Millar, and Rick Dobson. Sponsor Tony Berry accompanied the group.

Steer showing FFAers will travel to Wilsonville for a Grooming and Showmanship Clinic, Dec. 19.

Students hope to revise year

As the holiday season approaches and the new year draws closer, many MHSers are forming their New Year's resolutions.

Decisions range from losing weight to improving school grades. Here are a few typical plans:

"Kill a deer," freshman Andy Brindley; "Be a better running star," freshman Lorene Gentry; and "Be a better person," junior J. J. Moore.

"Improve my art skills," freshman Belinda Tripp; "Go see Rocky Horror Picture Show every weekend," senior Andrea Roth; and "Get to school on time every day," senior Jesse Holsomback.

"Help the seniors get along better," senior Debra Davis; "Be more truthful," sophomore Charles Naivar; and "Get more involved with school and church activities," junior Aretha Paschel.

"Spend more time with my family and friends," sophomore Leigh Ann Fennell.

Gift exchange adds fun

Mrs. Teresa Dollar, math and physics instructor is displaying her Christmas spirit during her first year at MHS. Her room is colorfully adorned with garlands, ribbons, sleighs and other assorted decorations.

There is even a small tree, complete with lights and ornaments, standing in the corner. The message, "Merry Christmas" is printed on the window with artificial snow.

Gift exchange

As a Christmas activity, she has planned for her classes to exchange Christmas gifts. The gifts, however, will not be exchanged in the usual way, but in the form of a game.

Each person brings an unmarked gift and draws a number. The person with No. 1 picks any gift at random and opens it. This continues consecutively on down the line.

There is a catch to the game, however. One does not necessarily end up with the gift he originally opens.

"I want your gift"

When one opens his gift, he may trade with any other person who has already opened a gift, and the second party must part with his possession.

Therefore, one never knows what gift he will be holding at the end of the game.

"Sounds like fun; I'm looking forward to it," says senior Jeff Gentry.

NHS to 'party' in Riverchase

Hungry Fisherman at Riverchase will host the National Honor Society's Christmas party. On Dec. 15, this group will enjoy an "all you can eat" supper.

The meal will include two types of fish, chicken, shrimp, french fries and salad. A separate banquet room will be set aside for the party. The organization drew names and will also exchange gifts.

Guidance counselor Colleen Colley is sponsor for the National Honor Society.

Seek 'N Find

by Lori Weiss

M A T N A H P U I R T S E N A C
S L O R A C A N D E L S N W A F
G N I K C O T S C A E S A R Z W
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Directions: Find the following Christmas words in the puzzle. They may be found in any direction:

angels	king
Augustus	lights
bells	love
Caesar	manger
candles	Mary
canes	mistletoe
cards	Noel
carols	ornament
cattle	pudding
Christ	Santa
Christmas	shepherds
elf	sled
flocks	snow
Frosty	star
gift	St. Nick
God	stockings
hark	tinsel
holly	toy
holy	tree
Joseph	Wassail bowls
joy	wise men

Students make Christmas lists

As Christmastime rolls around, thoughts of gifts are everywhere. A recent SPOTLIGHT poll shows what many MHSers would like to find under their trees.

Freshmen: Tim Nash wants a drum set, Jeff Livingston desires a saxophone, and Bert Peete has a burning passion for a trap set.

Sophomores: Dwayne Jackson hankers for a compenet set, while David Murphy pleads for an "A" in Algebra II.

Juniors: Debra Sailes requests a volleyball set, Angie Pruitt asks for a typewriter, Van Hawks wants a car stereo, while J. J. Moore desires a car to put his stereo in.

And senior Debra Tyus just hopes to get a rabbit fur coat.



Will see Romeo and Juliet--

Freshmen prepare for play

All ninth grade English classes are studying Romeo and Juliet to prepare for the upcoming trip to the Strand Theater.

As part of the unit Mrs. Delilah Robinson's advanced class will be presenting three minute oral reports on various areas of Elizabethan life: Queen Elizabeth I, Drama, Education, Art, the Renaissance religion and others. A writing assignment and a test will also be part of the study.

In standard English 9, Mrs. Robinson assigned parts for the students to read aloud. Freshmen in Mrs. Cathy Bearden's ninth grade are under the instruction of student teacher Donna Smith. Students were assigned parts of the play and are reading it aloud in class.

Miss Smith also uses a series of filmstrips entitled The Genius of Shakespeare; Series I: Romeo and Juliet. The students may design bulletin boards, posters, or make reports on the Elizabethan Age, Shakespeare, or Romeo and Juliet for extra credit.

Student teacher Marge Saunders is teaching the drama to ninth graders under supervision of Mrs. Ann Parker.

NHS sponsors decor competition

Today is the deadline for the homerooms' door decoration contest.

This year, the National Honor Society sponsored the contest for the most original idea for decoration.

Results of the judging will be announced Monday, Dec. 14, and the winner will receive a coke party.

To add to the Christmas spirit, NHS also decorated the main lobby and the Alice Boyd Building.

Finals approach

Starting next Monday MHSers taking courses at the University of Montevallo will be taking final exams for first semester.

Students have two hours to complete the finals.

Strand Theater cooperates--

School to view Shakespeare

Next Thursday students will be able to see Franco Zefferelli's version of Romeo and Juliet by William Shakespeare.

All classes will go to the Strand Theatre for the movie at 8 a.m.

Traditionally, freshmen study Romeo and Juliet and then go and see the movie; but for the last two years the film has been unavailable. This year the entire student body will make the trip to see the play since most MHSers did not get to see it their freshman year.

Students wishing to see the movie need to bring \$2 to their homeroom teach-

Youth plan live Nativity

For the ninth consecutive year, the Montevallo Methodist Youth Fellowship plans to present a live nativity scene.

The event will take place in front of the Methodist Church Sunday, Dec. 20, from 6 to 8 p.m.

The scene will include many MHS students portraying wise men, shepherds, angels and Mary and Joseph.

Animals will also be included with goats, cows, horses, chicken and sheep scheduled to participate.

"Traditionally it is offered as our Christmas gift to the community," comments UMYF president Ellen Arnold. "We hope it will be meaningful."

ers next Tuesday.

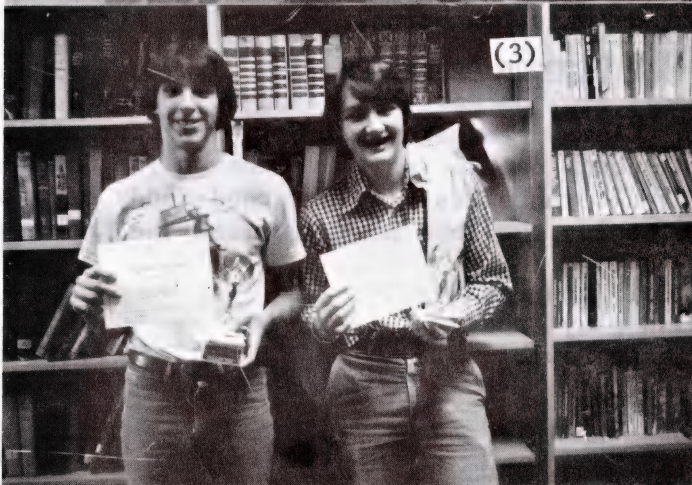
Students will be able to buy refreshments at the concession stand.

According to librarian Melissa Martin, there are only eleven copies of this particular movie that are available throughout the nation.

The American Theater For Youth out of New Jersey owns all of them and is sending one to the Strand Theater.

Miss Martin explains, "Mrs. Virginia Simmons, part owner of the Strand, deserves special thanks for taking time to work out the arrangements so it would be possible for MHS students to see the movie."

Photographer records special moments



- (1) KEEP THOSE LINES STRAIGHT--Troubadours get into the Christmas spirit as they practice for Montevallo's parade which ushers in Santa.
- (2) DON'T FORGET YOUR LINES--Junior Sally McMillan and seniors Paul Spicer and Anna Lott rehearse for the big contest.
- (3) LOOK WHAT WE GOT--Sophomores John Hawkins and Wade Leach show off trophies won in the Readorama.
- (4) READY FOR THE MATS--Wrestlers pose before the trip to Odenville's tournament.
- (5) THE CALM BEFORE THE STORM--Seniors Taylor Lawrence and Ellen Arnold practice "The Storm" one more time before the competition.
- (6) STRIKING IT RICH--Junior Scotty Neal and sophomore Shan Davis hold the string of money which Scotty won in the magazine contest.

'Dogs post 1-4 record

After losing the first four games of the basketball season, the male varsity finally got in the win column by defeating Chelsea last Tuesday.

The game was a down-to-the wire 44-41 victory with Montevallo finishing the last minute with four players.

Tim Jones was the 'Dogs' high scorer with 18.

The Hornets took an early lead, and it was in the closing minute of the third quarter before junior J. J. Moore put the 'Dogs ahead 29-28 for the first time. After the lead changed hands six times, Montevallo finally pulled ahead to stay.

In earlier games, the Bulldogs suffered defeats by Holy Family and West Blocton. Holy Family ripped MHS 71-39, but the Tigers squeezed by with only a 51-49 margin.

Moore was MHS's leader against Holy Family with a total of 14 points. Eric Tolbert had 18 against W. Blocton.

Bulldogs drop to 0-2

MHS men's varsity opened their basketball season with a 58-36 loss to Pelham Nov. 20 and a 53-46 loss Nov. 24 to Chilton County.

Shooting only 30% from the field, the Bulldogs got off to a slow start at Pelham. Turnovers were costly in this opening match. J. J. Moore led the MHSers with 13 points; Tim Jones scored 8.

The 'Dogs played the 3A Tigers of Clanton in a better shooting game, getting 45% of their field goals. Staying close early in the game, the Bulldogs trailed by only one point, 17-16, at the end of the first period. But by halftime, they had dropped back to 34-24. T. Jones and Taylor Blackwell led MHS with 16 and 10 points respectively.

Football aplenty on TV--

Holidays bring bowl games

by Robby Allen

AS THE HOLIDAY SEASON APPROACHES, football faithfuls all over the country will be glued to their TV sets watching their favorite college football teams compete in post season bowl games. There are four major and twelve minor bowls between Dec. 13 and Jan. 1 for these fans to enjoy.

The Sugar Bowl on Jan. 1 will match second ranked Georgia against the ninth place Pittsburgh Panthers. The Cotton Bowl, also on New Year's Day, will pit Paul "Bear" Bryant's Crimson Tide of Alabama (No. 3) against the fifth ranked Texas Longhorns.

Clemson holds top spot

In the Orange Bowl on New Year's night, Danny Ford's No. 1 ranked Clemson Tigers will be going for their first national championship as they take on Tom Osborne and his Nebraska Cornhuskers. In the grand-daddy of them all, the Rose Bowl, the Iowa Hawkeyes meet the Washington Huskies.

Southern Cal and Penn State will also play that day in the Fiesta Bowl.

Hall of Fame

Eleven lesser bowls are also set. Included among these is Birmingham's Hall of Fame Bowl.

This game, which is a matchup between Kansas and Mississippi State, is set for Dec. 31.

With 16 bowls MHS football fans should have excitement aplenty.

Bullpups fall in early games

Coach Kurt Pnazek's B team won their first game Tuesday night as they defeated Chelsea 35-9. Tyronne Bell led in scoring with 10 points.

The 'Pups opened the season with losses to Pelham and Clanton.

Fighting hard in their opener, the 'Pups finally fell to a more experienced Pelham team 56-39. Leslie Rutledge was high point maker for MHS with 7.

Next the 'Pups put a scare into the powerful Chilton County team before they lost 31-21.

Ricky Dobson led the MHSers with 6 points.

In their next two games the Bullpups fell to Holy Family 32-28 on Nov. 29 and to West Blocton 56-36 on Dec. 1.

Five claim limelight--Bulldog Grows--

Athletes honored at banquet

Seniors Tim Jones, Sammy Nix, Rex Wallace and juniors Mark Jones and J. J. Moore took the spotlight at MHS's annual Athletic Boosters Banquet. The five captured top football awards at the event last Saturday in the University of Montevallo's Anna Irwin Hall.

T. Jones was awarded tri-captain and all-county honors; Nix, co-captain, Principal's Scholastic Trophy, tied for spirit award and honorable mention all-county; Wallace, captain, most valuable defensive lineman, most sacks, all-county; M. Jones, best defensive back, most pass deflections and tied for spirit award; J.J. Moore, leading scorer, headhunter award, and all-county.

Guest speaker Keith Pugh, former split end for Alabama Crimson Tide, directed his talk solely at the youth of today. He stressed the importance of "setting high goals and knowing your direction in life."

"Total commitment" were the words he used to describe "the 110% you must give of yourself in order to reach those important goals you set and live by everyday."

Girls honored

Not only were the varsity football players recognized, but also the cheerleaders, cross-country track runners, junior football team, varsity and junior volleyball teams.

All were awarded certificates and/or trophies by their coaches.

Cheerleaders praised

The cheerleaders were praised for their superior performance at summer camp held at Auburn.

Volleyball players Tanya Staffney and Joyce Stewart were cited for making all-county, all-area tournament teams; and Jennifer Wilder was recognized for placing third in the State Cross-Country track meet.

Local teams merit praise

by Lessie Gaddis

MHS varsity football and volleyball teams, along with Calera's and Thompson's squads are all congratulated for their fine play this season.

The Bulldog football team had its first winning record since the '78 season. Girls' volleyball also posted a winning record in its comeback.

Although our teams did not make it to the playoffs this year, we praise Calera for advancing to the quarter finals and Thompson for reaching the semi-finals in football state championship play.

Thompson girls won the State 3A volleyball title.

MHS Boosters receive a big thank-you for a super athletic banquet.



Staff plays faculty

During activity period Tuesday, the publications class challenged MHS faculty to a volleyball game.

Teachers who wished to play in the game signed up with Coach David Bailey who coached the 3 member faculty squad.

Admission was 50¢ with proceeds going to help finance the MONTALA '82.

3 games set at UM gymnasium--

Bulldogs, Warriors compete

Tonight the Thompson Warriors host the Bulldogs at the University of Montevallo gymnasium. The boys' B team will play at 5:00; girls' varsity, 6:30; and men's varsity at 7:45 p.m.

Thompson has three returning starters this year, and according to Coach Kurt Pnizek is one of the best teams in the county. Last year Thompson defeated MHS three times--71-46, 60-41 and 62-48 in the county tournament.

The last time the Bulldogs beat the Warriors was Feb. 9, 1980, by a score of 57-46. In that one, the 'Dogs had to fight off a 25-point, fourth-quarter surge by the Warriors.

"When Montevallo and Thompson play, you need to throw out the record books, because it's always a real dog fight," says Coach Pnizek.

Frosh stands big at tourney

Freshman Andy Chism proved to be a bright spot for MHS in the wrestling tournament at Odenville Dec. 4-5 as he placed 4th in the 105 lb. division.

Though the Bulldogs did not place well in the overall standings, Coach David Bailey commented, "We were competing against teams that will be at state."

Jeff Chism, Reza Ebrahimi, Van Hawks, and Sammy Nix were all winners in individual matches.

Monday night the 'Dogs were defeated by Dora 48-24 in the first home match at MHS ever.

The major downfall for Montevallo was having to forfeit the 98 and 185 lb. classes, giving up 12 points to Dora.

Points for MHS came from pins by Hawks, Tracy James and Nix, and Dora's forfeit in the 105 lb. class.

Bama 28; Auburn 17--

Tide coach gets victory 315

by Michael Boothe

Two weeks ago at Legion Field the Alabama Crimson Tide came from behind to win 28-17 over arch rival Auburn Tigers. A recent SPOTLIGHT survey shows the majority of MHS students were happy with Bama being victorious since there are so many Tide fans at MHS.

This victory gave Coach Paul "Bear" Bryant his 315th victory in 37 years of coaching, making him the winningest coach in college football.

Even though Auburn gave Bama a scare early in the fourth quarter with a Del Greco 19-yd. field goal, the Tide rose to the occasion. Quarterback Walter Lewis threw a third and 6, 38-yd. pass to Jesse Bendross for one touchdown and later Bama's Linnie Patrick scored on a 15-yd. run to make it 28-17 and victory No. 315 for Coach Bryant.

'Dogs extend winning streak

Lady Bulldogs took two big wins against 4A powerhouse Berry Buccaneers Nov. 24 and Warriors of Thompson Nov. 25 to up their record to 4-0 for the season.

Against Berry, MHS took the jump and put the first two points on the scoreboard. "I thought we played exceptionally well. I was pleased with the team's effort," comments Principal Joe Perkins.

"We had one first big test to prove we could beat larger schools, but next time it will be tougher," says PE teacher Dot Bishop.

Lessie Gaddis led all scorers with 17 in the 49 to 43 win. Debra Tyus and Ruth Perkins added 14 and 10 respectively.

In front of a big home crowd, the 'Dogs came out fired up to take on county rival Thompson. They popped in 19 first-quarter points in the 45-35 win.

Tanya Staffney led the Bulldogs with 12 points; Gaddis and Tyus added 11 and 10 respectively.

Thompson's Janice Scogins was the game's top scorer with 18 points.

Montevallo plays Thompson again tonight as part of a triple-header featuring men's teams also.

Junior teams bounce into action

Junior varsity girls' basketball team upped the season's record to 2-1 on Monday with a 22-15 victory over Shelby County.

The lady 'Pups also defeated SCHS Nov. 24, 24-13.

Their only loss, thus far, came at the hands of Mountain Brook on Dec. 3, 39-12.

Junior boys' team also added a win on Monday, as they defeated Pelham 25-23.

Freshman Ricky Gaddis dropped in two free throws in the final moments to secure the victory.

With losses to Chelsea and Thompson, the male 'Pups hold a 1-2 record.

Fons see titles

All MHS's state and county basketball championship trophies are on display in the large glass trophy cases in the Susie DeMent Gymnasium.

After basketball season, they will be moved back to the foyer of the main building.

Teacher recalls Nom history

by Benji Peete

Presents, Christmas dinner with family and peace on earth, goodwill to men are the rule of the day on Christmas. Right? Well, not always.

Democracy teacher Don Benton recalls one Christmas when peace on earth was about the farthest thing from his mind.

Battle zone in Vietnam

Mr. Benton vividly remembers Christmas of 1967 when he was stationed in the battle zone of Vietnam, with a Marine artillery unit. According to Mr. Benton, Christmas was just like any other day of the war but one still couldn't totally forget the season.

Christmas dinner was one of the traditions that was not forgotten by the military. The commanders made an effort to see that all their men got at least one good meal at Christmas. "It might come on Christmas or the day before or after Christmas, but they did get it," says Col. Benton.

Mail call important

The two other big events of Christmas were mail call and a visit by the chaplain. "Mail call was important to the men because most of them received either letters or presents from home," Mr. Benton explained. He further noted that presents weren't really necessary since there wasn't much to give a soldier that the armed services did not already provide. "Those who did get presents usually got cake, cookies or stationary."

Chaplains visit

Two chaplains, one Protestant and one Catholic, were flown in to hold services in the mess tent for anyone who could get away to attend.

According to Mr. Benton the only difference he could tell between Christmas day and any other day was that the fighting was a little slower than on most days.

However, he did learn from the experience.

"The spirit of Christmas is stronger when you're away from your family. The spirit of Christmas is with you anywhere in the world, because the Christmas spirit is really inside you," concludes Mr. Benton.



From the library--

Library buys 25 paperbacks

by Michael Staggs

A new shipment of books was recently delivered to MHS. The shipment consists of 25 new paperback books.

The books include Catch 22 by Joseph Heller; The Hollow Hills by Mary Stewart; and I Never Loved Your Mind by Paul Zindel.

Other new novels are All the King's Men by Robert P. Warren; The 900 Days by Harrison E. Salisbury; and 2001, A Space Odyssey by Arthur Clarke.

Miss Martin reminds all teachers that the UM curriculum lab is open to them as follows:

Mon.	12:00-3:00 p.m.
Tue.	8:30-11:00 a.m.
	5:30-8:00 p.m.
Wed.	12:00-4:30 p.m.
Thur.	8:30-11:00 a.m.
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El-Mid News--

Math team to compete

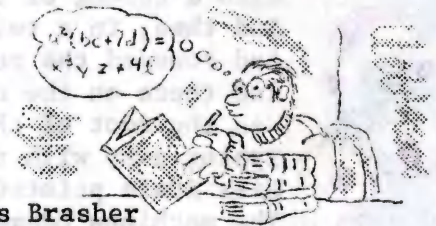
by Gladys Brasher

Tomorrow, Montevallo Middle School's math team will compete at Vestavia.

MMS held a PTA open house Dec. 7. The drama club, under direction of 6th grade teacher Virginia Lawley, gave a Christmas play for the group.

On Dec. 4, 8th graders viewed the play, "A Christmas Carol," at the Civic Center in Birmingham. Teacher Jill Snyder escorted the group.

Fifth graders of Monte-



vallo Elementary School recently elected 4-H officers. The girls selected: president, Angela Glazner; vice president, Vicki Thrift; secretary, April Herron; and Gina McGiboney, reporter.

Boys elected are: Jason Rochester, president; Matt Draper, vice president; David Calvert, secretary; Jack Carter, treasurer; Songleader and recreation leader Mike Allen and Frazier Trevillion were also chosen by the boys.

'Twas the day before holidays ---

by Ellen Arnold, Taylor Lawrence

'Twas the day before Christmas holidays, when all through the school,
Not a student was studying or minding a rule.
The instructors were still desperately teaching without jest,
While students all daydreamed of vacation and rest.
And Mrs. Colley in her office, and Joe on the phone,
Were calmly doing their work with the usual groan.
When off in the gym there arose such a clatter,
Joe slammed down the phone to see what was the matter.
He ran out of the office with tremendous speed;
Mr. Benton emerged from his room like a fiery steed.
More rapid than eagles the teachers all came,
And Joe whistled and shouted and called them by name.
"Now, Delilah! now, Barbara! now, Cathy and John!
On, Douglas! on, David! on, Joanna and Don!
Toward the gym, on down the hall,
Now, dash away, dash away, dash away all!"

As dry leaves that before the wild hurricane fly,
When they meet with an obstacle mount to the sky,
So, off to the gym the teachers all flew,
With a throng of students following, too.
And then, in a twinkling, they bounded up each stair,
And rounded the corner to check out this affair.
And there on the court surrounded by paper
Was the root of the clatter and the solution to the caper.
Typing away with an earth-shaking fury,
Miss Susie printed SPOTLIGHTS in a mind-boggling flurry.
The machines hummed and whined like a swarm of big bees,
Producing the special issue with extraordinary ease.
The journalism students made their way through the crowd,
And performed in a way that would make Cathy proud.
The SPOTLIGHTS were assembled at an astonishing rate,
Because the editors insisted that they could not be late.
Then finishing their papers, the journalists turned,
And distributed the SPOTLIGHTS for which the crowd yearned.
Overcome with relief, Joe's shout echoed clear:

"MERRY CHRISTMAS TO ALL,

and

TO ALL A GOOD YEAR!"



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Snow brings extra holidays--

Wintry blasts close schools

Students at MHS received an additional holiday as one of the worst winter storms in the century struck most of Alabama. Schools were closed early Tuesday morning, Jan. 12, when heavy snowfall began, and did not reopen until yesterday.

After plaguing much of the nation's mid-section, the storm approached the South on Tuesday. With an inch of snow already on the ground by late afternoon, the precipitation turned into sleet and freezing rain.

During the night heavy icefall crippled trees and shorted power lines. Alabama Power Company workmen struggled to restore service to thousands of Shelby

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Holidays noted

MHSers will have the following holidays to look forward to this semester:
Feb. 19--Professional Development Day
Mar. 8-12--Spring Holidays

Math team begins season

As school reopened after Christmas, math team members began preparing for their tournament season, looking toward their first contest Jan. 9.

Though MHS did not place in the meet, the experience will help them in the major events in February says teacher Doug Morris. West Point took 1st place in the competition held in the Decatur area at Austin High School.

The next meet is Feb. 27 at Samford University.

Sophomores to 'study' jobs

Tenth grade English classes will soon begin work on a career and occupation unit. The unit will begin with counselor Colleen Colley explaining the three courses of study at Montevallo and by administering the VIESA (Vocational Interest, Experience and Skill Assessment).

The survey takes the place of the Kuder Test used in past years.

In addition to completing their career notebooks the 10th graders will visit the Shelby County Area Vocational Center on Jan. 26 as part of the unit.

Mrs. Colley will also hold personal conferences with each of the students during the study.

Board announces assembly at MHS

Shelby County Board of Education is scheduled to meet at MHS on Jan. 26 at 6:30.

Each year the board tries to meet in various communities to give all parents and teachers an opportunity to attend.

Heading the Board of Education is Mrs. Barbara Whitman, chairman. Other members are Dr. Bill Fancher, Mr. Claude Lee, Mr. Paul Summer and Mr. Jack Upchurch.

Dance planned

Next Friday the Student Council will sponsor a sock hop in the auditorium after the Calera basketball game.

Profits from the dance will help the Council with their service project later in the year according to Beth Hughes, president.

Admission is \$1.50 for couples; \$1 for singles.

Second term brings changes

The new semester brings new classes and several schedule changes at MHS.

Career Exploration, a class taught by Mrs. Jane Darden, is being offered for the first time. The class will explore various career fields as a large group, in small conference groups and as individuals.

Another new class will be taught by Mr. Johnnie McClain--geography, which replaces current events for freshmen.

Schedule changes include seniors exchanging democracy for economics. Sophomores will switch between the one-semester classes of drivers ed and business law or go into PE.

It's News Downtown--

Local store changes hands

Whaley Furniture on Main Street is now Spiller Furniture. The parent company operates out of Tuscaloosa under the leadership of James Spiller.

Dr. L. C. Parnell of Birmingham recently donated a \$125,000 building to the City of Montevallo for

School plans aid discussion

Students and parents who wish to learn about the possibilities of financial aid for college will have an opportunity at 7:00 p.m., Jan. 28.

Mrs. Linda Knowles, director of financial aid at UM will lead the financial aid session at MHS.

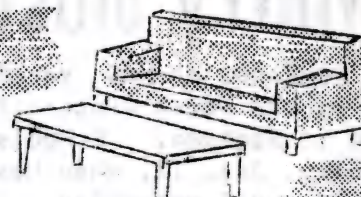
According to counselor Colleen Colley, who is organizing the unit, Mrs. Knowles will discuss all dimensions of financial aid, including recent revisions in federal aid and making cost estimates.

Winter-- (Cont.)

County residents.

Wednesday night, over three inches of snow fell on Montevallo, worsening already impassable road conditions.

The storm moved out on Thursday, but left behind bitter cold temperatures. Snow remained on the ground until Friday, when temperatures rose above freezing for the first time since Tuesday.

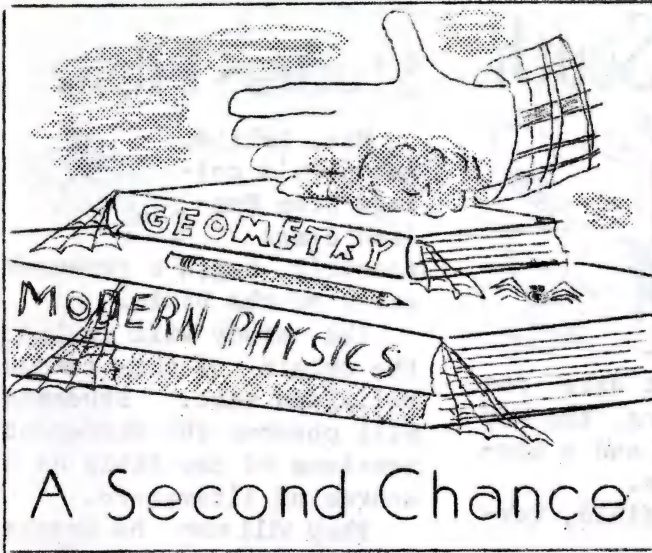


use as a library.

The L. C. Parnell Memorial Library will be located in the brick building on the corner of Valley and North Boundary Streets.

The library has also recently received \$60,000 in the will of Miss Josephine Eddy who was a long-time library board member.

EDITORIALS



Board looks ahead

(Good planning prevents inconvenience)

Bad weather means holidays to many students. However, in past years, school would remain open into June to make up for the lost days. This year, days lost due to last week's bitter weather will not mean extra days at the end of the school year.

The Shelby County Board of Education is commended for their insight in scheduling two Inclement Weather Days in the school calendar. The two days will be used to account for last week's loss.

Learning demands emphasis

With the old semester over and a new one beginning, students have a chance to put aside haunting "border-line" grades and begin anew. Everyone should make a firm commitment to keep good grades high and bring lower ones up.

As students struggle through homework, research and assignments, groans about instructors and grades are prominent. Although grades are usually a picture of acquired knowledge, the knowledge, not the grades, is the important thing.

When a high schooler is "welcomed" to the real world, especially college, he will find that an "A" in trigonometry is not very helpful in college calculus if he cannot remember what a sine is. With a new semester and

a new year beginning, the SPOTLIGHT staff hopes that everyone will "spotlight" learning and retaining, rather than passing and failing.

Image declines

Since Christmas holidays, rooms, hallways and lockers have become cluttered with trash. Is this the image to which visitors should be subjected?

Students should want to place a lasting impression on others that MHS is one of the cleanest schools in the county.

Perhaps pupils will soon demonstrate that "neatness counts" once again to make MHS as attractive as it once was.

School welcomes back Mrs. Moore

MHS is glad to see a familiar face again in the halls. Custodian Lula Bell Moore is back after undergoing two operations at Shelby Medical Center.

She returned to work on Dec. 17 and says, "It sure is great to be back."

Mrs. Willie Mae Moore stood in for her during her nine-week absence. Mrs. Moore did an excellent job of keeping MHS neat and organized. We appreciate her hard work which made MHS "shine."

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Mercury climbs, plunges--

Weird weather invades South

Even though winter days are typically cloudy and cold, MHSers have seen a variety of weather conditions this season.

On Dec. 17 a snowstorm was predicted. However, on the last day of school before Christmas holidays, Montevallo saw sleet while other Alabama counties got the snow. On Dec. 20 the temperature was recorded as 9°--the coldest this winter to that date. For the next few days it was cold and wet. During the New Year's weekend, over two inches of rain fell and a number of tornadoes were sighted near Montevallo.

The high for the weekend was 72°. Brierfield, Verbena and Clanton were all struck by the twisters. Another one was sighted two blocks from MHS but did not cause any damage.

After two days of cooler weather, springlike conditions brought 67° weather. Rain on Jan. 7 lowered the temperature to 28°, and last weekend the mercury went below the zero mark.

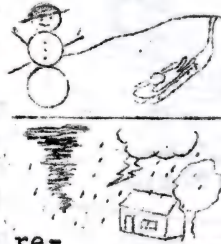
Who knows what's next? (Editor's note: This was written before last week's storm covered on p. 1.)

FFA receives livestock trailer

FFA has acquired a 16-foot stock trailer. It will be used for carrying livestock to shows.

Chapter Farmer Robby Johnson plans to show six hogs at the State Market Hog Show Jan. 25 in Birmingham.

State Farmer Sammy Nix and Greenhands Alan Bice, Bert Peete, Bob Peete and Andy Brindley will show their steers at an invitational steer show at Woodknoll Farm in Lincoln.



From the Library--

Library sells Troll books

Librarian Melissa Martin is ordering paperback books and posters from the Troll Book Club for interested students.

The company features a selection of 41 posters and books.

Deadline for an order is Jan. 27.

Miss Martin welcomes book reviews written by students on books available in the library.

Organizations', clubs' payments due--

Publication price increases

Students can still purchase yearbooks for 1982, but the price is now \$15 for the publication.

Organizations and clubs will need to pay for their pictures in the yearbook before Feb. 5. Prices are \$35 for a half-page and \$50 for a whole page. Presidents or sponsors will turn in their money to organization editor Robyn Perkins for pictures made earlier in the year.

Adviser Melissa Martin remarks, "The club contribution provides another means for the yearbook cost and is extremely helpful."

English class studies Bible

Mrs. Delilah Robinson's college prep English class

recently began a two-week study of the Bible.

The study will include the origin of this famous religious text. Students will observe the different versions of the Bible as a source of literature.

They will also be learning about the many essays, letters and beautiful poetry within this well-known doctrine.

"After the unit, I hope the students will realize that the Bible is not only a religious document but also a great masterpiece of literature," Mrs. Robinson comments.

Drivers train

Students wishing to become school bus drivers will go to Columbiana for training and certification Jan. 19 and 22.

Those who have already been trained will be recertified Jan. 20-21.



English class writes poetry

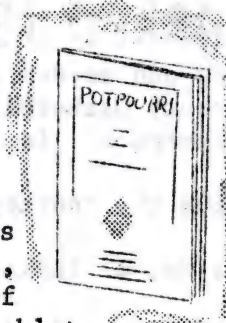
Mrs. Barbara Belisle's fourth period English class recently created a book of poems entitled POTPOURRI.

The book featured poems written by students. Titles include "Life," "Seniors," "Christmas Time," and "Ode to Shoes."

The students each received two copies of the book, the faculty received copies, and members of the Shelby County Board of Education each received a copy of the booklet.

Miss Susie DeMent's Typing II class typed the poems and Miss DeMent stenciled them and designed a cover for the book.

"I thought it was a good experience for my students and they really enjoyed it," comments Mrs. Belisle. The English class will create similar works next semester.



Staff holds picture sale

As a fund raising project the MONTALA staff will sell pictures for the next two weeks. Most are 25¢; larger ones will sell for 50¢; and small school day prints will cost 10¢.

The pictures will be sold during break and after school.

Pictures will be available in five categories:

Jan. 18-19	Sports
20-22	Candid
25-26	Organizations, Awards Day
27-28	Band
29	School Photos

El-Mid News--

Middle school sells yearbook

by Gladys Brasher

Yearbooks are being sold by the yearbook staff at Montevallo Middle School. The books sell for \$7 and will be delivered in late February or early March.

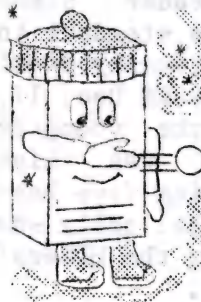
4-H club will hold its regular meeting Jan. 19.

Primary grade children at Montevallo Elementary School soon will enjoy a new playground adjacent to Orr Park.

The play area was built by the children's parents.

Locker Laughs--

Word play amuses class



Exams this week
Are keeping us busy,
A long snowy weekend
Put us all in a tizzy.
But now school is open;
We're back in the routine
As Locker Laughs brighten
Our everyday scene.



While discussing communism in 3rd period democracy, teacher Don Benton asked if anyone knew of Gus Hall.

"Well," commented senior Ellen Arnold, "your 'gus' is as good as mine."

In 2nd period English, junior Scotty Neal said, "Whenever I eat bread or water, I break out."

Classmate Van Hawks piped up, "Well, if you were in jail, you'd be in luck because after dinner you could break out."

With the power off and a fireplace as the only source of heat, senior Taylor Lawrence suddenly had a brilliant idea--a fan in front of the fire would create a slow current of warm air. His family agreed and Taylor went after a fan.

Returning, he proceeded to plug it in. His sister suggested he use the outlet behind the TV, since it didn't work anyway. Suddenly his mother announced, "We don't have any power!" and it dawned on everyone that the fan was unfortunately useless.

Concerts announced

Concerts coming to Birmingham soon are:

Boutwell Auditorium

Jan. 16--Hank Williams, Jr.

Civic Center

Jan. 17--AC/DC

23--Alabama

Feb. 5--Oak Ridge Boys

For further information contact either the Central Ticket Office (CTO) 25-4100 or Boutwell Auditorium 322-7797.

MHS hosts girls, junior tournaments--



Lady Bulldogs ronked 1st

Holding a perfect 11-0 record and seeded No. 1, the Lady Bulldogs will host the county basketball tournament this week. County rival Thompson is seeded in second position.

At 2 p.m. today the 'Dogs open the tourney against Shelby County (0-3).

Pelham, seeded No. 5, plays No. 4 Indian Springs; Briarwood squares off against Chelsea; and Thompson takes on Vincent in other first round games.

Finals will be played Friday at 6:30.

The boys junior varsity is hosting their county tournament also this week.

'Dogs come back

In recent games, the Lady Bulldogs have fought from behind to hold on to their perfect record.

Down by 3 at half, they came back to take a 47-43 victory over Berry Bucs Jan. 6 as they started the second half of the season.

Lessie Gaddis led the scoring for MHS as they hit 8 unanswered points in the second half to take the win. Gaddis scored 20; Debra Tyus chipped in 13.

Another slow start

The 'Dogs scored only six points in the first half against Chelsea but came back strong after intermission to win 38-21. Tyus was leading scorer for MHS with 18 points.

Gaddis, point guard, was leader with 16 points in a victory over Briarwood.

This was another slow starter, but the 'Dogs pulled it out in the second half for a 55-21 final count. Ruth Perkins was second highest scorer with 12 points.

Juniors march through season

Junior varsity girls' basketball team ended the 1981 half of their season with a 3-2 record. They boast three wins over Shelby County High, with losses to Mountain Brook and West Side.

Coach Richard Gilliam cites 7th grader Slade Blackwell as a standout in the junior varsity boys' victory over SCHS Dec. 17.

Slade, the youngest team member, was high scorer, sinking five baskets. The final tally was 34-32, upping the MHSers' record to 3-4.

Both junior squads have four games remaining.

Thompson gives MHS close call

Lady Bulldogs ended the first half of the season with a 52-50 squeaker over county rival Thompson on Dec. 11 at Myrick Hall on the UM campus and a smashing 53-25 win over West Blocton, Dec. 14.

In a close scoring game, the lead see-sawed between Montevallo and Thompson with the 'Dogs trailing 25-24 at the half. A 48-48 tie was broken as Ruth Perkins hit a technical called on Thompson's coach with only 2:30 left in the game.

Lessie Gaddis and Debra Tyus led MHS's scoring with 21 and 16 points respectively.

Against West Blocton the 'Dogs hit 18 of their first quarter points before taking a 39-12 halftime lead. Gaddis contributed 18 points in the victory; Perkins added 12.

Bulldog Growls--

Managers play vital roles

by Lessie Gaddis

Everyone

knows how

much time

and discip-

line players

must have to be part of a team. However, managers and statisticians also have to do the same.

Freshman Andy Brindley, who keeps stats at home games for the Lady 'Dogs, is helped out by classmates Lorene Gentry and Vicki Williams who also serve as managers.

These three provide vital services for the team.

Jimmy and Joey Cardwell are the B-team and varsity managers. These two perform essential duties such as readying the gym for Bulldog play.

Eighth grader Alfred Campbell and 7th grader Malian Walker help the boys junior team. Johnny Holsombeck is scorekeeper.

A salute goes to these students who play an important role in athletics.



'Dogs earn 2nd in tourney

Montevallo finished in the runner-up spot in the Calera Invitational Basketball Tournament and three Bulldogs received all-tournament honors just before the Christmas holidays. After winning games from Cathedral (65-50) and Calera (59-47), the Bulldogs were eliminated by Jemison 51-42 in the finals.

Seniors Tim Jones and Eric Tolbert tied with the most points in the Cathedral game; both had 18. Jones was also a leader in the Calera match with 19; junior J. J. Moore scored 15. Tolbert put in 17 points for MHS's high in the Jemison loss. The three high scorers received all-tournament trophies.

Coach Kurt Pnazek says, "The team played well. We had set a goal before the season to make it to the finals in the Calera Tournament."

Praising his team's efforts, Coach Pnazek says he feels they "really accomplished something by being runner-up in the tournament."

Exercise class

begins Jan. 21

Sounds of music and hard work will soon come from the auditorium after school on Tuesdays and Thursdays.

A group of MHSers are scheduled to begin an exercise class Jan. 26 under the direction of juniors Paige Black and Tina Battle.

The course developed after the students discussed the lack of such a class in the area.

A \$5 monthly fee will be charged for the sessions, which run from 3:00-4:30. Fees will go to the junior class to help finance the prom.

A sign-up sheet is available in the office. Classes will be closed to new members Feb. 2.

B team wins

Montevallo's B team defeated the Briarwood Lions (coached by former MHS mentor Gary Fleming), 43-36, at MHS Dec. 10 but fell to Thompson the following night.

Jeff Gentry was leading scorer in both games. He hit 12 in the Briarwood victory and 6 against the winning Warriors.

Since Christmas holidays--

Varsity suffers 3 defeats

Since the Christmas holidays the 'Dogs have lost 50-33 to Maplesville, 62-40 to Jemison and 55-40 to Bibb County.

Lose at home

Maplesville, though a 1-A school, has lost only one game this season, that to a strong 3A Bibb County.

The Bulldogs, playing at home on Jan. 5, could score only 10 points in the first half against the tall, fast Red Devils.

Clio Laister led Maplesville with 18 points. J.J. Moore had 10 for MHS.

Jemison wins again

Two nights later, the

Bowl games wrap up year

by Robby Allen

With the end of the old year came the end of the 1981 collegiate football season. The grand sport of the gridiron ended its '81 season with a bowl game finale which consisted of five New Year Day games.

In the Fiesta Bowl, Penn state's Nittany Lions defeated USC 26-10.

Alabama's Crimson Tide put forth a losing effort in the Cotton Bowl as they fell to Texas 14-12.

A last-second pass brought Georgia defeat in the Sugar Bowl as they fell to Pittsburgh 24-20.

The battle for national ranking was waged in the Orange Bowl where Clemson held on to the No. 1 spot, defeating Nebraska 22-15.

Jemison Panthers, for the second time this season, downed Montevallo 62-40 at Jemison. Tony Atchison put in 22 points to pace the winners, while Moore had 17 as the 'Dogs' best.

Hosting Bibb on Jan. 8, MHS held on through the opening minutes and was ahead 14-10 after one period. But by halftime the taller Choctaws had built up a 32-22 lead.

Bibb's 6' 9" Michael Rutledge had 18 points and domineered the backboards. Moore was MHS leader with 15; Eric Tolbert also hit in double figures with 10.

As 1981 ends at Montevallo High--

Academics, activities, athletics make history

by Taylor Lawrence

LAST YEAR IS HISTORY, and so are the many events which highlighted MHS life during 1981. Students continued the tradition of diversified activities and personal accomplishments which have marked MHS as an institution of high scholastics and extracurricular activities.

With Ronald Reagan as president, the American hostages out of Iran and the space shuttle "Columbia" into orbit and back, the United States regained its faltering pride. Pride was also the driving force at MHS in every phase of the "student scene."



Faculty changes

One major story of the year was the change in personnel as enrollment dropped, resulting in the loss of teaching units.

Teachers Jennifer Williams (history) and Willie Turner (special ed) were transferred because of the change. Two UM graduates, Mrs. Teresa Dollar and Mr. Joe Glasgow, filled positions vacated by math/chemistry teacher Jim Hermecz and band director Jim Weese.

Mrs. Mary Harvard also joined the faculty in special education.

Teachers recall

Of the other major headlines, each faculty member had his favorite.

Business teacher Susie DeMent's year was brightened by her nomination to the Alabama Teacher Hall of Fame.

The math team had a banner year, placing first in county competition and second in state, pointed out Mr. Douglas Morris.

The Troubadours also

"shined," according to Mr. Glasgow, with superior ratings in all competitions.

Band excels

The concert band, under Mr. Weese received "ones" at the UM contest and district; and the marching band earned highest marks at two marching festivals.



Ellen Arnold, Taylor Lawrence and Anna Lott placed in the highest All-State band.

Director remembers

Most memorable to Mrs. Barbara Belisle were her drama productions. A tender, serious piece, "Tell

me that you

Love Me,

Junnie Moon,"

was presented

in the spring.

"The Storm,"

a one-act play,

was the first to be taken to competition by MHSers.

"Gifts of Myrhh" was performed at Christmas.

Mr. Don Benton claimed that his high point was the interest seniors were showing toward higher education, pointing out that many had already received scholarships.

Sports program grows

The bumps and grunts of athletic activity could be heard any month of the

school year. Although the "big three" (football, basketball and baseball), were prevalent at MHS, three new sports gained attention--wrestling, cross country and the return of girls volleyball.

Under Coach David Bailey, wrestlers Andy Chism and Tracy James qualified for state tournament play.

With cross country running added to the program, freshman Jennifer Wilder placed first in the county and second in the state.

Coach Dot Bishop directed the volleyball team to a 22-13 record.

In basketball, Yuell Gilbert ('81) earned All-County as Coach Kurt Pnazek led the male 'Dogs to a 11-15 season. The Lady Bulldogs finished their season 11-1 and earned county and area titles.



In baseball, the Bulldogs came in third in county play with a 7-9 record.

After two disappointing years, the football team had a 6-4 winning season. Seniors Rex Wallace, Sammy Nix and Tim Jones were named captains. Rex, J.J. Moore and Lloyd Pickett received All-County honors.

With the faculty pointing out highlights, the 1981 events verify the fact that life at MHS is much more than mere classroom instructions.



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At Birmingham Southern--

Musicians earn honors

MUSICIANS Ellen Arnold, Taylor Lawrence and Anna Lott were recently invited to audition for places in the Birmingham Southern University Honor Band. On Jan. 22 all three captured top positions in the statewide ensemble.

Practicing for the band's concert the following Sunday, they logged more than 12 hours of rehearsal time. In addition, Ellen, Taylor, and other first-chair players performed with the Alabama Symphony Winds on Friday night.

Dr. McKay Conducts

Conductor-clinician of the group was Dr. Sidney McKay from Memphis State University.

Taylor and Anna were also awarded membership into the All-American Band Hall of Fame.

Membership requirements include outstanding contribution to the music field, recommendation from their high school director and confirmation by unanimous consent of the Hall of Fame board of directors.

In addition, the two were invited to tour with the American Collegiate Symphonic Winds in New York and Europe during the summer.

Rochester honored

Another MHS musician, Cagle Rochester, was named in the 'Who's Who Among American High School Musicians.'

Cagle will have the opportunity to have his musical biography printed in the newest 'Who's Who' volume.



WORK PAYS OFF

Anna Lott, Taylor Lawrence and Ellen Arnold discuss their recent performance in the Birmingham Southern University Honor Band.

To aid MONTALA staff--

Valentine Dance returns

Next Friday night the Valentine's Dance will return to MHS at 8:00 in the auditorium. Formerly sponsored by the band, the event will provide financial aid to the MONTALA staff.

Highlighting the semi-formal dance will be the announcement of Mr. and Miss Valentine. All organizations and homerooms have been nominating students for a \$2 fee. A schoolwide election will be held Wednesday with the male and female receiving the most votes dubbed 'Mr. and Miss Valentine.' All students except MONTALA

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Bandsmen to seek 'superiors'

Nine members of the MHS symphonic band will compete in the district Solo and Ensemble Contest at Birmingham Southern College tomorrow. The contest is an annual event in which students perform a solo, duet, trio or larger ensemble for a judge's rating.

"Superior" ratings are rewarded with a medal. Other possible grades are "excellent," "good," "fair" and "poor." Entries are judged for technique, tone, preparedness and selection of music.

Students participating are seniors Ellen Arnold, Mary Klemenc, Taylor Lawrence, Anna Lott, Ben Peete and Mike Staggs; sophomores Shan Davis and Charles Nairvar; and freshman Bert Lott.

For good semester grades--

Students awarded ribbons

SENIORS TOPPED THE LIST last Friday as ribbons were distributed to students who made the A or A-B honor roll for the first semester. National Honor Society members gave out the ribbons during homeroom.

According to NHS president Gladys Brasher, those on the A list had to have a 90 or above for all semester averages. A and B honors went to students with an average of at least 85, with no grade below 70.

Thirty seniors received ribbons, with five earning all A's. The A students are Ellen Arnold, Jeffrey Gentry, Taylor Lawrence, Robyn Perkins and Krislin Stewart.

Juniors placed 18 on the list, with Ahrian Davis, Terri Johnson, Keith Studdard and Joy Williams receiving top honors.

Sophomores came in second with 24 people earning ribbons. Susan Hardin, John Hawkins and Erin Spicer made all A's.

Bert Lott was the only freshman to earn all A's as nine were cited for honors.

Flowers bear special tidings

Valentine's Day at MHS will be colorfully celebrated this year with carnations. The journalism class is selling the different colored flowers with special meanings for students to send to their Valentines.

They are: red, "I Love You"; pink, "Be My Valentine"; blue, "Thanks for Being My Friend"; and finally, peppermint (white with red specks), "You're Special."

Carnations cost \$1.50 each. Orders are being taken by journalism students. Deadline is Tuesday, Feb. 9. The flowers will be delivered during the lunch hour on Feb. 12.

Valentine dance (Cont.)

personnel and those who have been suspended, are eligible. Individuals may also nominate others until 6th period Monday for the \$2 fee.

Admission to the dance will be \$2--singles; \$3--couples. Sweetheart pictures will be taken by Waldrup Studios with packets starting at \$6. The event will conclude at midnight.

Park board plans contest

Mr. Bill Vann, director of Montevallo Park and Recreation Board, is assisting the Student Council in sponsoring a special essay contest for Valentine's Day.

The name of the essay, entitled "Cupid's Secret," deals with the writer's Valentine and why that person is his Valentine.

Papers will be judged by members of the UM English faculty, with content of the paper more important than grammar.

The deadline for turning in the papers of 250 words or less is Wednesday, Feb. 10. They should be given to seniors Beth Hughes or Taylor Lawrence.

There will be a winner from the 9th and 10th grades, and one from the 11th and 12th grades.

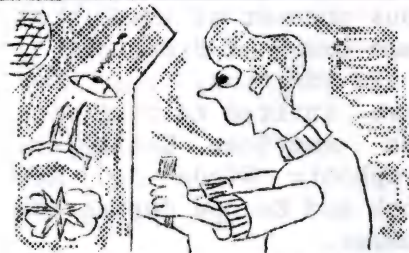
First prize is dinner for two at a Birmingham restaurant.

It's News Downtown--

'Scoreboard' offers games

Fans of pinball, Asteroids, Donkey-Kong, and the like, have a new place to play. The Scoreboard, located in the building with Jr. Food Mart, was opened recently by Mr. Jim Frazier.

Senior Jesse Holsomback works part-time in the gameroom.

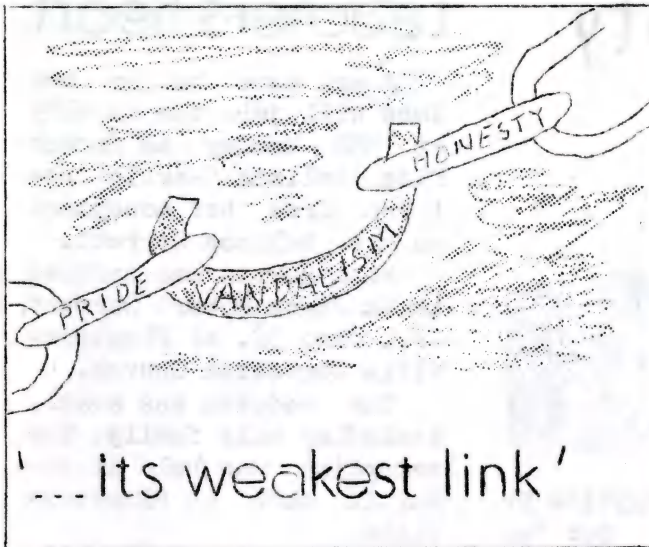


Sit-ups, chin-ups and various obstacle challenges --one can get it all at the University of Montevallo "par course."

Located across from the tennis courts, the course is set up in steps, each with written instructions on how to best use the equipment.

Admission is free.

EDITORIALS



Class lacks support

Dear Editor,

As president of the Junior Class, I have noticed that class members are drifting apart and some are unwilling to participate in fundraising projects.

We cannot continue arguing and putting down our fellow classmates. We must all unite and become involved in activities. This is absolutely necessary if we are going to have a Prom that we will be proud of.

I hope that the juniors will work together to make the 1982 Prom a great success.

Thank you,
Sally McMillan

Band members need pride

Recently the band's attitude has declined to an extremely low point. Lack of pride has discouraged the foundation of the band. Incidents leading to this bad attitude include "back talk," vandalism, destruction of music and tampering with the fire extinguishers.

Results of this attitude are the closing of the auditorium, higher fees for replacement of equipment and music and a bad image reflecting on the community.

This image stains the memories of students, teachers and visitors. It is this that hurts the band the most.

The only way to remove this "stain" is by reinstating pride in the members, music and reputation of the band. To improve the band's image, the band has to pull together, not in separate directions.

The common goal of reconstructing the band can be achieved as it has been done in the past. Perhaps the band can learn from its mistakes and benefit from them in future times.

(Michael Staggs)

Black history honors culture

"Afro-American History: Blueprint for Survival," is the national theme for this year's observance of Black History Month.

This is a time to recall the troubled journey blacks have made from the slave ships of the 1800's to the Civil Rights of the 1960's.

The purpose of the observance is to focus attention on contributions of blacks to American history and culture.

Grades earn praise

Congratulations go to all who received honor roll recognition for the first semester. Hard work and diligent learning pay off, not only with recognition but advancement in later life.

To those who didn't quite make the list: The goal is there!

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With young stars--

Soaps gain popularity

by Beth Hughes

CUPID HAS BEEN HARD AT WORK this year. Not only has he struck many MHSers, but his arrow has pierced such couples as Luke and Laura, Cliff and Nina and Jody and Gavin. Do these names sound familiar? They do to almost any avid soap opera fan.

Soap operas are the hottest form of television entertainment today, although they have been around for a long time.

Used as fillers

The serials were first used as fillers in daytime TV and catered mostly to middle-aged housewives. But "as the world turns," the audience has broadened to take in a much younger set. The reason: Today's soaps are bubbling over with young new stars.

"General Hospital," the nation's top-rated show with 14 million viewers daily, revolves mostly around young characters. For example, Tony Geary and Genie Francis, the main stars of the show, are 26 and 19 years old respectively. The young lovers saved the world from a weather machine last summer and were recently married in an event some say was bigger than the royal wedding.

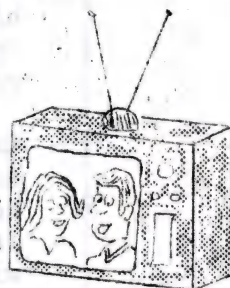
Excitement, action

Another reason for the cult-like following of soaps is that they are now packed with all the excitement and fast-moving action of a James Bond movie.

Intricate plots of today's serials are filled with murders, organized crime, black market dealings and secret agents.

The soaps have become a nationwide fad, with total addiction being common among its followers.

Many MHSers are beginning to suffer withdrawal symptoms after large Christmas holiday and "snow days" doses of "love in the afternoon." So, don't be surprised if the girl who was absent and had a chance to catch up on the soaps becomes the most popular person in school.



Cupid strikes teacher's heart

A new name but no new face will join the faculty at MHS Monday as former Miss Melissa Martin returns from her honeymoon as Mrs. Melissa Garrett.

Miss Martin was married to Mr. James Robert Garrett, Jr., Jan. 30, at Plantersville Christian Church.

The wedding was small, including only family. The reception was held at the Martin home in Plantersville.

Miss Martin and Mr. Garrett met at the Birmingham Airport during spring holidays last March while both were attending a tour of Ireland with the English department from UM.

Mr. Garrett teaches senior English at Calera High School and will move from Columbiana to Montevallo, where he and Mrs. Garrett plan to reside.

Seniors order invitations

Seniors ordered graduation invitations yesterday from the Balfour Company.

The students were also supplied with measurement packs for caps and gowns.

The Balfour Company is providing all graduation materials for the seniors, including announcements, memory albums, thank-you notes and senior keys.



SC plans hop

MHS and MMS Student Councils are planning several sock hops. "The next dance is to be scheduled sometime this month," says MHS council president Beth Hughes.

Admission for the dance from 3:00 to 5:00 p.m. will be \$1 per person or \$1.50 per couple.

Vocational classes observed

Sophomores who are interested in attending the Shelby County Area Vocational Center next year will visit the school Feb. 11. The students will choose two classes they would like to observe and will be interviewed at a later date.

Last week the entire 10th grade class went to the vocational school as part of their career study.

El-Mid News--

'Students' teach students

Student teachers have been assigned in Montevallo Elementary School. The University of Montevallo students and their supervising teachers are Miss Julie Davis--Mrs. Ginger Ramey; Miss Sheri Barrow--Mrs. Jane Benson; Miss Cindy Burns--Mrs. Barbara Davis; Miss Terri Moore--Mrs. Ann Hamilton; and Miss Lauren Wooley--Mrs. Kitty Weese.

Twelve students made all A's for the first semester. They are: 4th grade--Rebecca Blake, Mark Fanning, Renee Robertson, Joyce Smith and Sandy Wilder; 3rd grade--Todd Lovelady; 2nd grade--Laura Barbas, Denise Carter, Marli Erwin, Donnie Holsomback, Heather Sullivan and Lee Win.

NHS to sell

National Honor Society will sell doughnuts Feb. 6.

Part of the money raised will pay for the NHS group picture in the yearbook, and the rest will go into the organization's fund for other activities.

The doughnuts will sell for \$1.75 a box, and the sale will last for only one day.

Johnson wins

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* FFA Chapter Farmer Robby Johnson recently won \$90 at the State Market Hog Show.

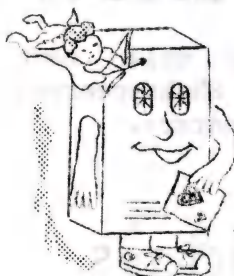
Five of his six hogs placed in the competition, with each winning various amounts of money for him.

Science teachers at Montevallo Middle School recently sponsored a Dental Poster Contest. Sixth grader Jason Turner took 1st place with other 6th graders Karen McPherson and Gary Johnson placing second and honorable mention, respectively.

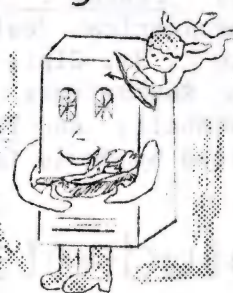
The 13 who made all-A honor roll are 8th grade--Scott Austin, Kirby Marheine and Cynthia Pickett. 7th--Kara Child, David Grimes, Randy Johnson, Lisa Lawley, Tera Nives, Meg Perkins and Sheila Readal. 6th--Mary Dott, Tracy McElroy and Glenda Lawley.

Locker Laughs--

Ice causes 'shaky' laughter



As Valentine's Day
Grows closer each hour,
Our thoughts all wander
To Cupid and flowers.
This season of love
Makes everyone happy
As Locker Laughs help
Make our days snappy.



During lunch, classmates Lori Weiss, Wendy Knox and Terri Johnson were discussing the icy milk they were drinking. Suddenly freshman Johnny Holsombeck began shaking the table.

"Milkshakes," he explained.

In 5th period history class, teacher Don Benton was discussing building log cabins. Senior Jesse Holsombeck asked, "Did you put mud between the logs?"

Mr. Benton calmly re-

Cupid to get additional aid

Seniors will help Cupid deliver valentines Friday.

A big mailbox will be placed in the office the week before Valentine's Day. Anyone wishing to send a valentine should write the name of the person and his or her homeroom on the envelope and place it in the box.

The valentines will be delivered Feb. 12 during homeroom period.

"I feel it's a good way to make Valentine's Day a special occasion for students," senior class president Robyn Perkins comments.

plied, "I'm not a dirt dober, Jesse!"

During a discussion of sound waves in physics class, teacher Teresa Dollar asked, "Can sound travel through a vacuum?"

Junior Sally McMillan commented, "My vacuum cleaner makes a lot of noise."

When teacher Cathy Bearden passed out the class's exam, she announced, "You may start when you begin."

From the Library--

Library fines sent to pupils

by Michael Staggs

Students, beware! Librarian Melissa Garrett warns students that a list will soon be written which will enable her to bill students for lost books.

"Anyone who has lost a book in the past four years will be required to pay in order to graduate," comments Mrs. Garrett.

Approximately 75 students will be charged for lost books. "The money gained will be used to buy replacements," she adds.

Mrs. Garrett reports items ordered from Troll Book Club will arrive in three weeks.

New books in the library are Frederic Remington: The American West by Philip R. St. Clair; Who's Who in Shakespeare by Peter Ovenshott; and Faeries, edited by David Larkin.

Students lose two holidays

Because of the scheduling of two inclement weather days, students can still plan on ending the 1981-82 school year on May 27.

Schools were closed from Jan. 12 through 15 due to a winter storm that struck Alabama. The Shelby County Board of Education arranged for two extra days in case just such a situation occurred.

Although the holidays for Apr. 10 and May 7 which students would have enjoyed in the spring are no longer valid, students will not attend any "extra" days to make up for the snow.

Teachers, however, will have to attend "make-up" meetings since their Professional Development Day was cancelled Jan. 15. The date and method of make up have not yet been announced.

In senior unit--

Communist threat studied

"With over one-third of the world's population under the firm grip of communism, Americans need to be aware of the real threat to our society," states Mr. Don Benton, instructor of the senior unit on communism, which concluded this week.

Before beginning economics, the senior democracy classes began the unit at the start of the new semester. The class included discussions on Russian history and the growth of communism. They also discussed communist lifestyle and governmental structure.

Principal Joe Perkins also spoke to the class about his recent trip to Germany and his encounter with the "wall."

'Medea' studied

Drama students recently read "Medea," translated by Rex Warner.

The class began Jan. 28 with each person reading a part aloud. The unit ended Monday.

The class will next study the Shakespearean and Roman Theaters.

Creative art to be judged

Artistic students interested in showing their work have an opportunity to compete in the Superintendent's Art Show, Mar. 4, at the Board of Education in Shelby County.

Art being judged will be the winners from a Principal's Award Show held in each school, including (1) K-4 grades, (2) middle-junior high and (3) high school. Only "flat" work can be used in competition.

Students interested in participating can contact art Teacher Ann Parker or Principal Joe Perkins for more information.

Tour days set

Opportunities for MHS college bound students who are interested in local university visitation days are:

University of South Alabama, Visitation Days, Feb. 6, Apr. 17.

University of Alabama--Birmingham, Engineering Day, Feb. 26.

Auburn University, Engineering Day, Feb. 26.



With 1st semester at an end--

Students, faculty present accomplishments



(1) GOOD JOB!--Coach Richard Gilliam congratulates freshman Ricky Gaddis on making all-tournament junior basketball team.

(2) CONGRATULATIONS--Publications student Mike Peacock and advisor Melissa Martin toast before her recent marriage.

(3) COLOR IT IN--Journalism students Donna Glosson, Chris Wilder and Lori Weiss work on carnation advertisements.

(4) GET ORGANIZED--Honor Society members Krislin Stewart, Robyn Perkins and Patricia Lesley sort honor roll ribbons.

(5) PIN IT STRAIGHT--Home ec students Mary Mayweather, Veeta Davis and Sheila Jones work on completing their quilted jacket.

(6) HERE'S HOW--FFA members gather around to learn about steer showmanship.

Downing Thompson 44-41--

Girls capture county title

by Lessie Gaddis

MONTEVALLO'S LADY BULLDOGS won the Shelby County basketball crown, defeating Thompson 44-41 in the finals of the county tournament, Jan. 22, at Montevallo.

Leading 35-28 going into the fourth quarter, the 'Dogs were tied at 39 by the Warriors with 2:34 left in the game. As the seconds ticked off, Debra Tyus hit a jumper for a 41-39 score before being tied again by all-tournament Warrior Janiece Scoggins' jump shot with two minutes remaining.

Free shot seals it

Tanya Staffney answered with a quick 12-ft. jumper to move MHS out front again. Missing their attempted come-back shot, the Warriors fouled Lessie Gaddis in the scrap for the rebound.

Lessie then hit the front end of a 1 and 1 to seal the 44-41 victory, leaving the 'Dogs with a perfect 15-0 season record and the county title.

3 make all-tournament

With the awarding of trophies for 1st and 2nd places, an all-tournament team was announced. Three MHSers were named--Gaddis, Ruth Perkins and Tyus.

Janiece Scoggins, Angie Harris (THS); Sherry Goodwin, Hazel Hudson (Pelham); Sheila Howard, Janet Stone (Briarwood); and Chelsea's Rebecca Shaw complete the star-studded team.

Perkins, with one-third of MHS's points (15), led the scoring as the 'Dogs defeated Shelby County 45-23 in the first round.

Pelham, Briarwood and Thompson also recorded opening round wins.

Hitting a season high 80 points, MHS passed Pelham 80-45 in the semi-finals. Gaddis put in 23 points, Tyus, 21; and Perkins, 20.

Moore named all-tournament--

'Pups advance to semi-finals

Coach Kurt Pnazeck's B teamers advanced to the semi-finals of the county meet at Pelham last week before falling to tournament winner Thompson 43-31.

Keith Moore was named as a member of the all-tournament team.

Getting off to a fast start, the B's ripped up Briarwood's Lions 34-18. Tyrone Bell and Jeff Gentry had 8 points apiece.

In county tournament--

Varsity drops opening game

Eric Tolbert's 16 points earned him a spot on the all-tournament team, but it was not enough for victory as MHS fell to Pelham in the first round of the Shelby County tournament. J. J. Moore added five field goals in the 55-51 loss, which eliminated MHS from the meet.

Plagued by fouls, the 'Dogs sent the host Panthers to the free throw line 28 times, while getting only 12 tries themselves. Devin Tubert, who paced the winners with 16 points, got 10 of them as freebies.

Pelham went on to upset Thompson in the final round to take the county title with a 43-40 win.

Prior to the tournament, the Bulldogs posted a 2-1 record during the week of Jan. 19-22. They lost to Pelham Jan. 19, 68-45, with Moore leading MHS scoring with 10 points. In a squeaker with Briarwood (31 - 29) Michael Grayson was high point man; he scored 13. The following night, the MHSers smashed Calera 57-41. In that game Taylor Blackwell scored 15; Tim Jones, 12.

'Dogs to battle

Tonight the Bulldogs host the Thompson Warriors at Myrick Hall on the UM campus. B team game is at 6:30; varsity, 7:45.

According to Coach Kurt Pnazeck, the 'Dogs "will have to control the tempo of the game by working for the good shots and not making turnovers when the Warriors press."

as top scorers.

Alfred Green was the leader against Thompson; he scored 10 points.

Prior to the tournament the 'Pups split two decisions as they fell 38-23 to Pelham Jan. 19 and took a squeaker from Briarwood Jan. 21, 29-27.

Bell had 10 points as high scorer against Pelham and he and Green had 8 apiece against Briarwood.

Girls rank No. 1 in Area

With their sites on a state bid, the Lady Bulldogs and Coach Sue Wilson carried a perfect record (19-0) to area playoffs this week at Vincent.

Seeded No. 1 for a second year in a row in Area 7 play, the 'Dogs defeated Chelsea in the first round Wednesday night. Last night they were to have played second seeded Talladega County Training School in the finals (paper printed before results were in) for the right to play for the Region 4 title tomorrow at Vincent.

Montevallo defeated TCTS for the Area title last year, winning the championship game 45-24.

Chelsea tried a stall game in the opener Tuesday and MHS led only 2-0 after one quarter; but Debra Tyus finished the night with 13 points and Lessie Gaddis, 10.

The Bulldogs had their dreams of State crushed last year in Region play when they led St. Clair County Saints at halftime only to see the Saints get hot in the final quarter to win the bid with a 47-34 victory.

The girls' state tournament will be held at Boutwell Auditorium in Birmingham, Feb. 9-13.

Class explores emergency tips

For the next three weeks PE classes will be studying first aid and safety.

Under the direction of Coaches Dot Bishop and Richard Gilliam, students are studying burns, electrical hazards, bleeding wounds and poisons.

"The course will help me in the future if any accidents occur around me, because I'll be prepared," says freshman Jim Turner.

JV's finish up

Junior basketball teams ended their seasons with the girls finishing 3-6, and the boys, 4-7.

The boys fell in the first round of their county tournament; the girls had no post-season play.

Day set aside

MONDAY, FEB. 15, has been designated as Basketball Appreciation Day at MHS. On this day, all players will be honored for their work and dedication this past season.

The event is being coordinated by the Student Council, aided by Coach Kurt Pnazeck.

Lifter's crown on the line

by Robby Allen

Coach Richard Gilliam's title as the strongest man in MHS may soon be coming to an end since recently Howard Gaddis became the first student in MHS history to benchpress 300 lbs.

For the past nine years, weightlifting at MHS has been dominated by head football coach Richard Gilliam; but on Dec. 15, Gaddis showed that times may be changing by benchpressing 300 lbs.

Though Howard still trails his mentor by 35 lbs., this is not a large gap to close considering no one has come this close to the coach before. Other students making their moves on the coach are Jeff Chism, who has lifted 250 lbs., and Ralph Tower, 225 lbs.

Bulldog Growls---

Teams praised for participation

by Lessie Gaddis

Both male and female basketball players will be honored by the Student Council on Basketball Appreciation Day, Feb. 15.



Players should appreciate the school and their fans who support them for making this special time possible just for them.

With the hard work and time they put in, they often feel neglected. Such days as this, and Awards Day, however, make them feel honored.

The coaches and the Student Council deserve a special thank-you for making this day possible for us who are involved with basketball.

Team gets sweats

MHS wrestlers, under Coach David Bailey, will soon have new sweatshirts.

Each ordered his own shirt for \$10.

By Honor Society--

MHS teachers recognized

This week, teachers at MHS were honored as the National Honor Society proclaimed Tuesday, Feb. 2, as Teacher Appreciation Day.

During activity period, NHS members presented each teacher with an apple and an appreciation badge and personally thanked them for all their hard work and dedication.

NHS president Gladys Brasher also made an announcement publicly thanking the teachers and making the students aware of the special day.

"We really appreciate all the teachers do," says Gladys, "and this is just a small way we have of thanking them for everything they have given us."



Board meeting held with high attendance

Shelby County Board of Education members met at MHS on Jan. 26 to discuss regular business. Open to the public, the meeting was witnessed by over 250 board employees.

The large crowd gathered to discuss controversial issues, including salary raises.

The group voiced opposition to changes in status of various central office personnel.

Although the floor was open to debate for over an hour, the board voted unanimously for the changes.

The next meeting will be at Chelsea School on Feb. 23 at 6:30 p.m.

Chuck foretells chilly weather

by Michele Readal

Punxsutaney Phil crept from his snug burrow Tuesday morning only to see his shadow and scurry back inside.

Phil, the famous weather-forecasting groundhog, makes his yearly debut atop Gobbler's Knob in Pennsylvania each Feb. 2.

His quick retreat signifies six more weeks of winter weather. However, had the woodchuck not seen his shadow and remained outdoors, spring would have been arriving soon.

Although a long winter was forecasted by Phil, groundhogs in Alabama had a hard time spotting their shadows as the result of rain all day. So as of now, who knows what the outcome may be?

Lab helps students learn

Students from Mrs. Teresa Dollar's 5th period physics class recently visited the UM physics lab.

The class went to the lab to see an experiment conducted by senior Taylor Lawrence which dealt with standing mechanical waves.

Taylor, who is currently enrolled in a UM physics class, explained the purpose of the experiment; and under his watchful eye, the MHSers were allowed to perform the experiment on their own.

Teachers plan

Shelby County Science teachers met in Columbiana for a special work day, Jan. 28. The teachers worked on getting all the science courses the same throughout the county.

Twelve teachers attended the session.

According to MHS science teacher Joanna McGaughy, "All the teachers felt it was good to make all the science courses similar all over the county."

Juniors start sales for prom

"February is going to be a money-making month," explains junior class president Sally McMillan in a recent prom committee meeting.

A variety of fundraising projects are scheduled to get underway within the next two weeks.

One group, headed by Tina Battle will begin selling a variety of Tom Wat products. Others with Paige Black will offer Stanley Home products.

Others heading profit-raising activities are Felicia McCord, a doughnut sale; and Tracy James, a light bulb sale.

All profits will go toward the Junior-Senior Prom in April.



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MR. AND MISS VALENTINE SMILE BIG

Posing amidst hearts, Aretha and Scotty display flowers presented by MONTALA staff. Aretha's interests are Student Council, band and drama; while Scotty is a football and baseball player.

At Valentine Dance--

Juniors take titles

Juniors Scotty Neal and Aretha Paschel were announced as Mr. and Miss Valentine at MHS's Valentine Dance last Friday night.

Contestants were nominated by a club or organization. The entire student body selected the winners who will be featured in the 1982 MONTALA.

The Valentine Dance, sponsored by the yearbook staff, was held in the auditorium from 9:00 to 12:00 Friday night.

The staff received a total of \$65.00 from the dance and nomination fees.

Emcee Taylor Lawrence's announcement of the winners at 9:30 was followed by a spotlight dance to Journey's "Open Arms."

Classes set for teachers

Although students will have a day off tomorrow, teachers will still be busy. They will attend professional development classes in Columbiana.

Among the activities are seminars and workshops. Teachers were allowed earlier to choose two of several special classes offered.

These features include lectures on art, reading and mathematics and consultations with children and adults.

The teachers will put in a full day, starting at 8:30 in the morning and going until 3:30 p.m.

For \$95,000 scholarship--

Academy selects Taylor

Senior Taylor Lawrence has been officially appointed to the Naval Academy in Annapolis, MD. Appointment requirements include a high score on the SAT, passing a physical aptitude test and receiving a Congressional nomination from a senator or representative.

Taylor was nominated by three of Alabama's congressional members. He was named by Senators Jeremiah Denton and Howell Heflin and Representative Richard Shelby. A total of 250 students from the state applied for the nomination.

\$95,000 scholarship

The Naval Academy provides each of its students with the equivalent of a \$95,000 scholarship, paying all tuition, fees and room and board charges. After graduation, the students have a five-year commitment to the Navy, starting out as an Ensign (Second Lieutenant).

Taylor plans to study aeronautical engineering. The Naval Academy is one of the top three engineering schools in the United States.

Four other seniors, Gladys Brasher, Sammy Nix, Ben
(Cont. p. 2)

Dramatists gain recognition

Eleven drama club members received the United States National Speech and Drama Award for repeated excellence and service in the field of drama. The award is presented to less than 1% of all high school drama students nationwide.

Seniors Ellen Arnold, Dennis Beers, Mary Klemenc, Taylor Lawrence, Anna Lott, Benjie Peete, Ruth Perkins, Michele Readal, Kevin Roberts and Paul Spicer and junior Aretha Paschel will have the opportunity to have their biographies published in the appropriate volume of the USNDA yearly report.

The group was nominated by drama club sponsor Barbara Belisle.

Mrs. Belisle praises, "This is a first for MHS. I'm proud to be working with a group who are so talented, scholarly and deserving of such honor."

Math teams capture awards

Two levels of MHS math teams received awards at the Huffman High School Math Tournament last Saturday. The advanced analysis team placed fifth and the Algebra II team captured third place.

Competing against 15 other Division II teams, the groups took written exams and ciphered. Greenville High School took top honors in the analysis level and Huffman High won the Algebra II Division.

Analysis team members are senior Taylor Lawrence, junior Joy Williams and sophomores John Hawkins and Susan Hardin. Larry Readal and Erin Spicer are alternates.

Sophomores Laurie Davidson and Charles Naivar and Freshmen Bert Lott and Michael Martin compose the algebra team.

To qualify for State--

Band readies for district

State-qualifying district band competition will be held at Shades Valley High School Feb. 25-27. The symphonic band plans to perform Chicago Tribune, An Original Suite and the first movement of Borodin's Second Symphony.

An overall Superior rating (I) will advance the band to state competition at Birmingham Southern in April.

The symphonic band is also sharpening its skills for the 6th Annual University of Montevallo Concert Band Contest. The contest will be held in Palmer Hall on the UM campus March 26-27. MHS's concert and symphonic bands have been rated superior every year they have participated in the UM event. For the past four years, they have also placed in the "best overall" category--either first, second or third.

It's News Downtown--

Karate club offers lessons

Karen Mitchell, a first degree black belt, is instructing the Montevallo Taekwondo Karate Club at the Park and Recreation Building on Monday and Thursday nights.

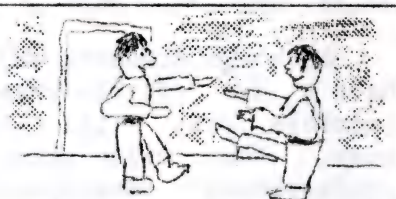
Five to thirteen year olds meet at 5:30, while the adult class meets at 6:30. Membership costs \$20 a month; first lessons are free.

Mrs. Mitchell also instructs Karate clubs in Birmingham.

Academy—(Cont.)

Ben Peete and Robyn Perkins are finalists for Naval Reserve Officers Training Corps scholarships.

The scholarships are offered for one, two or four years and pay any combination of tuition, fees, books and/or an allowance of \$100 a month. Recipients will be announced on Feb. 24.



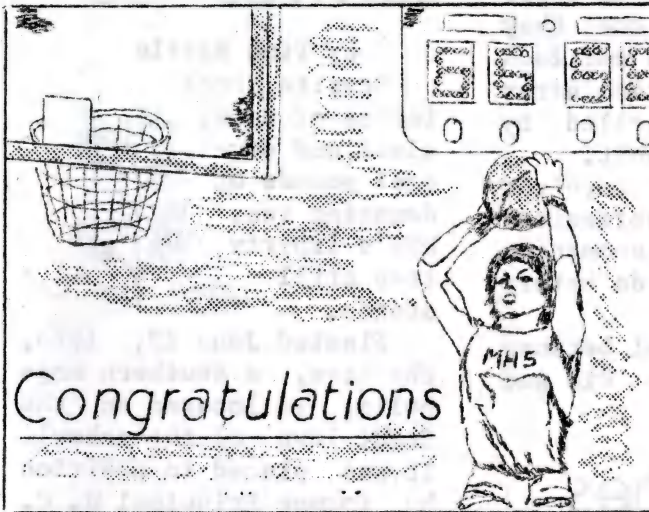
Purples, with the play "The Trainman spins a Yarn," won College Night competition last week.

The play told the tale of a young actor from Alabama trying to make his break on Broadway.

The Gold production was "Geriatrics Follies." It was concerned with an old folks home of the future.

Both were original musicals, written, directed and acted in by students at UM.

EDITORIALS



Leaders need support

Some people have been complaining about a lack of leadership in school and organizations.

This is not caused by the people who lead; it is caused by those who refuse to lead. If people continuously wait for others to be leaders, without assuming any responsibility of their own, think of what a mess the world will be in.

If each of us would try a little harder to accept the challenge of leadership, there would be no need in complaining.

Lady coach earns merit

When the 1981-82 basketball season began, the MHS female squad had high expectations. And under the direction of their coach Sue Wilson, this group of athletes achieved much of the success for which they hoped.

The Lady Bulldogs sport an outstanding 20-1 record and captured county, area and region championships.

We applaud the courage, determination, hard work, and skill of the Lady Bulldogs and their coach which led to their outstanding achievements.

Occasion lacks recognition

Dear Editor:

Is this Black History Month or what? The students at MHS were so interested in Valentines Day that they somewhat forgot about the real meaning of February. This is Black History Month and the students and teachers have put forth little or no effort to recognize this glorious occasion.

We as students of this school and as people of the United States should take a little time out in this month to honor some of the many black Americans who have done great things for our country.

This is not a letter of prejudice, but a letter of concern.

Junior, Pam White

Drills needed

Most schools in the state took part in a tornado drill Feb. 11, yet MHS did not. Since tornadoes are extremely dangerous, students need to practice for them.

Forks vanish

For the fifth time this year the lunchroom staff is ordering new forks to replace those thrown away by students.

Whether done knowingly or unintentionally, this costly practice must be stopped.

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Unit receives good review

Sophomores have completed a career unit in their English classes. Over 45 tenth graders feel that they are now more aware of their career interests and feel more informed about possible career opportunities after studying occupations. Their opinions were polled by Counselor Colleen Colley who coordinated the unit.

The two-week study of career education involved many hours of research on occupations and professions in specific fields. Sophomore Paula Williams comments, "It helped me learn that I have a lot more to do before going to college."

Mrs. Colley points out, "It was very helpful because the students were able to determine what they did and did not want to consider for a career."

In addition, when the students were asked, "Do you feel you know more about how to get information on careers," only two said no.

Most of the tenth graders answered yes. Twenty others felt they were now "somewhat" more informed of finding out about future jobs.

From the Library--

State paper seeks reviews

by Michael Staggs

Librarian Melissa Garrett informs students she is accepting reviews on any piece of literature in the library.

The reviews will be sent to "Alabama Librarian," a statewide magazine for libraries. Those accepted will be used in libraries across the state.

In addition, students who need current news can soon find help in the library. The BIRMINGHAM POST HERALD can soon be found in the magazine section according to Mrs. Garrett.

Class finishes Valentine sales

Totaling profits of over \$100, the journalism class delivered 155 carnations last Friday.

The flowers were purchased from Rockco's Florist for Valentine gifts.

Red topped the list, with 72 flowers sold, while blue was second with 41. Peppermint and pink took third and fourth places with 36 and 6 respectively.

Senior Gretchen Riesner was top salesman with 21 orders. Classmate Patty Stewart sold 20.



Seniors deliver valentines

Sailor hats and armbands which contained red hearts were worn by Cupid's helpers last Friday. The special Valentine delivery was sponsored by seniors Robyn Perkins, Tammy Layton, Rhonda Edwards, Mary Klemenc, Ellen Arnold and Gladys Brasher, who became "postal workers" during homeroom that day.

"These seniors provided a service that everyone enjoyed. It helped make the day special for lots of students who got the special deliveries," observes English/journalism teacher Cathy Bearden.

Liberty tree survives ice

by Tina Battle

Despite three inches of snow, sleet and several pounds of damaging ice, MHS's liberty tree still stands.



Planted June 28, 1976, the tree, a Southern magnolia, is located on the front lawn of the school. It was placed in position by former Principal W. C. Corbett, former teacher David Nichols and English teacher Barbara Belisle.

Montevallo's Bicentennial Commission donated the tree as a tribute to America's 200th year celebration. It was 3½ ft. tall when planted. Later it was broken down to a mere 1½ ft.; it now stands at 6½ ft. tall.

The first liberty tree was located in Boston, where citizens held town meetings to discuss independence.

"Taking part in planting the tree at such an important time in our history was a thrilling experience, and watching it grow over the years is a great reward," comments Mrs. Belisle.

Video games take over

by Beth Hughes

What goes beep, blip, blop and waaka-waaka in the night? No, it's not an alien from outer space though it is somewhat similar.

Video games, those highly-advanced computerized toys, have become the most popular form of entertainment among many of America's teenagers. Game rooms and arcades are popping up all over the nation, and business is booming.

Pinball machines have been pushed aside to make room for games like tempest, centipede, defender, frogger and gorf.

Video arrives

Video has even come to Montevallo. Most stores have at least one machine, and MHSers can be found in the Scoreboard Gameroom after school frantically shoving quarters into the machines.

Just what makes these games so appealing?

Sophomore John Hawkins says video games are "interesting and intriguing, and increase my eye and hand coordination."

Classmate Maya Metz adds, "They pass the time away."

Offer challenge

"They're exciting and challenging," comments junior Van Hawks, "and great for bettering quickness and agility."

Senior Jesse Holsomback, an attendant at the Scoreboard, says playing the games is a "great way to release your tension and just relax."

The explanations for addiction are just as varied as the types of games available.

But whatever the reason for their great popularity, video games have definitely made a name for themselves and will probably be around for a long time.

Names bring confusion

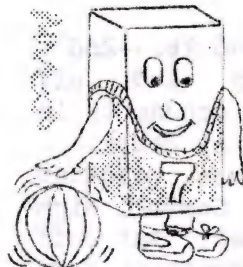
Have you ever been in the situation where you yelled to a friend and four people answered? Well, that's similar to the way it is at MHS if you call for Mike, John, Lisa or Paula.

Eleven MHSers answer to Mike, while seven are named John. The most popular girls' names are Debra (also spelled Deborah), seven; and Lisa and Paula, four of each.

Several students don't have to worry about this problem, as they are the only one in school with their name-- Marietta, Reza, Antonio, Venita, Meador and Ahrian. Others are Riggins, Cedric, Freeman, Nekita, Deline, Reburn and Charita.

Locker Laughs--

Morris creates holiday humor



When school's out tomorrow,
We're sure to have fun,
Without any studies
Or work to be done.
Mr. and Miss Valentine
Now reign supreme,
As Locker Laugh capers
Keep our senses keen.



In trigonometry, teacher Doug Morris was explaining that he bought his wife a Valentine card. "You can never be too good to a woman," he said.

"I'm sure you're not," quipped senior Jeff Gentry.

In 3rd period geometry class, several students were discussing College Night at the University of Montevallo when sophomore Susan Hardin remarked, "You need contacts to get a ticket for the event."

Pointing to her eyes, junior Keith Studdard noted, "But you do have contacts, Susan."

During solo-ensemble at Birmingham Southern University, senior Michael Staggs and freshman Bert Lott were speaking with their judge before their duet.

"Excuse Bert for coughing, a lot of students here from Montevallo have colds," Michael commented.

"I heard there was a cold front coming in," replied the judge.

In 3rd period economics, teacher Don Benton asked, "What is income? And don't say it's money I get paid for working . . . because you'd be right and I'd have a heart attack."

As season ends--

'Dogs take 2 close victories

CLOSING OUT THEIR regular basketball season last week, the Bulldogs posted victories over Chelsea and West Blocton and lost to Shelby County.

Most significant of the victories was the win over West Blocton which was Coach Kurt Phazek's 100th win at Montevallo since he came in 1976.

The 100th victory was a thriller all the way as Montevallo squeezed by the Tigers 49-47 at Blocton.

The 'Dogs and Tigers battled it out neck and neck until the final buzzer sounded with MHS on top by two.

Senior guard Tim Jones scored 15 and junior J.J. Moore, 12, to lead the MHS pointmakers. Mike Hubbard was the night's top scorer with 28 points, 6 of which were free throws.

Chelsea falls

In their second meeting of the season, MHS squeaked by Chelsea in double overtime for a 56-54 win, Feb. 9, at Montevallo.

Only seconds remained as T. Jones popped in a 12-footer to claim the 2-point victory for MHS.

Moore led the Bulldogs' scoring with 17 points; but Taylor Blackwell and T. Jones added key shots to send the game into the overtimes.

Shelby wins

Despite a low-scoring affair in the 'Dogs' last regular season game, MHS was outplayed by the Wildcats of Shelby County 43-34.

T. Jones was the only Bulldog in double figures; he scored 15. Bruce Martin led Shelby with 24.

4 wrestlers attend State

Four MHS matmen qualified for the state wrestling tournament at the Odenville sectionals on Feb. 6.

✓✓ They are: Reza Ebrahimi (101 lb. Div.--3rd), Andy Chism (108 lb.--1st), Tracy James (115 lb. --4th)

Jeff Chism (148 lb.--2nd).

Both Andy and Jeff pinned their opponents in the first day at State.

Andy was then defeated 7-6 by a John Carroll High School wrestler; but Jeff defeated his opponent from Walter Welbourne and advanced to the semifinals.

A Deshler High School student whose team eventually won State, defeated Jeff, who placed 4th.

Coach commends good season

I am proud of the girls' basketball team for their accomplishment this year.

The 1981-82 season has been a very successful one. We have accomplished most of our goals for the year.

We advanced further in the playoffs and played more as a team in most of our games--instead of as individuals. Our girls showed a lot of "class" during some of our difficult games.

I would like to wish the seniors much success as they leave and venture into college, and I hope some will continue to play basketball in college.

Sue Wilson
Girls Basketball Coach

In Area meet--

MHS battles TCTS tonight

Tonight at 6:30 Montevallo will play Talladega County Training School in the semifinals of the Area 7 basketball tournament, being hosted this week by Vincent.

In the meet, the Bulldogs took their first-round game defeating Chelsea 70-56 on Tuesday. TCTS drew a bye.

4 score big

Four MHSers hit in the double figure column Tuesday against Chelsea.

Senior guard Tim Jones scored an MHS season high 24 points, juniors Taylor Blackwell and J. J. Moore had 12 apiece, and senior Eric Tolbert put in 10.

Free-throw accuracy

Twelve of Jones' 24 points came from a 12 for 14 free throw performance.

Chelsea's Kent O'Shields scored 16 as the Hornets' best.

In other action Tuesday night, Vincent beat Calera 60-38. Tonight's semifinals matches Winterboro against the 'Jackets.

Bulldog Growls--

After winning 20 games--

Lady Bulldogs take first loss

Hosting the quarterfinals of the girls state basketball playoff, the Lady Bulldogs suffered their first defeat, losing to the Eagles of Autaugaville, 67-50. Autaugaville then went on to advance to the finals. They lost out a second year in a row to Pisgah.

Ending their season 20-1, the 'Dogs saw seven of a ten-member squad finish their high school careers. These seniors include Jahn Bolling, Mary Chism, Lessie Gaddis, Ruth Perkins, Tanya Staffney and Debra Tyus.

Tyus, Gaddis lead

Tyus and Gaddis led the scoring in the state bout with the Eagles with 20 and 16 points.

To get to State, the 'Dogs defeated Moody 55-30 in the Regional playoff at Moody. After taking a 20-6 spurt in the first quarter, MHS coasted to an easy win.

Moody surprises

Moody, seeded 3rd in their area, surprised No. 1 and 2 seeded Odenville and Ashville to win the Region berth.

Tyus and Gaddis again led scoring for Montevallo against Moody. Tyus had 21; Gaddis, 16.

On their way to State, the Lady Bulldogs defeated Chelsea 37-22 in the first round of the Area and demolished Talladega County Training School 68-38 in the finals.

Gaddis, who received the area MVP trophy, led the 'Dogs with 21 points. All-Area tournament member Tyus scored 20.

Perkins and Staffney (MHS); Pam and Rebecca Shaw (Chelsea); Felecia Lawons, Phyllis Watkins and LaVance Kelly (TCTS); and Vincent's Angela Riggin also made the All-Area squad.

Senior forward Tanya Staffney says, "I enjoyed playing sports at MHS and will miss it. I hope the squad can go all the way next year."

The 'Dogs ended their season averaging 50.5 points per game, compared to 31.1 by the opponents.

Leader gets 100th win

by Lessie Gaddis
MHS men's
varsity basketball
coach Kurt
Pnazek is



congratulated for recording his 100th victory at Montevallo High. The win was a 49-47 thriller on Feb. 11 at West Blocton.

Members of the basketball squads, the coaches, teachers and student body praise Mr. Pnazek for his hard work and long hours he has put in for the MHS Bulldogs.

Serving his sixth year as head coach, Mr. Pnazek has seen his charges add 15 trophies to the trophy cases. Among these are 2 county trophies, 3 area, 1 region and 1 state runner-up.

Mr. Pnazek will long be remembered in his years at MHS for this important addition to MHS history.

FHA defeated

Recently challenged, FFA members defeated the FHA members in a volleyball match during activity period last week. The farmers overtook the home-makers 16-4 and 15-7.

The event netted \$45.

Bibb, Thompson beat 'Dogs

Two 3-A powerhouses, Bibb County and Thompson recently gave the Bulldogs a taste of defeat with victories of 54-34 and 48-46, respectively.

Senior point guard Tim Jones led the 'Dogs with 10 points against Bibb County. Michael Rutledge, Bibb's "big man" led the Choctaws with 18 points; teammate Daven James dumped in 14.

Leading at halftime 24-23, the Bulldogs couldn't hold on to conquer the Warriors. The 'Dogs fell behind in the last few minutes to lose 48-46. Jones and center J. J. Moore were high point men for MHS with 12 each. Chris Thomas led the Warriors with 14, while Leslie Harrison and Darryl Ward each added 11.

The B team lost both outings also. They were beaten 49-30 by Bibb County, and 36-22 by Thompson. High scorers for MHS were Tyrone Bell with 12 against Bibb and Alfred Green with 17 against Thompson. Brian Lavelle was Thompson's best with 12.

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El-Mid News--

Jumpers receive prizes

by Gladys Brasher

Winners of the American Heart Association's Jump-A-Thon, held in November, recently received their prizes--warm-up suits.

The winners were Bryan Cantatilla, Jennifer Crocker, Mike McGaughy, Melissa Payne, Donna Steadman and Jason Crump.

On Feb. 11, Montevallo Elementary School participated in National Severe Weather Preparedness Week by holding a tornado drill at 11 a.m.

Gas leakage closes rooms

Several MHS classrooms have been closed recently because of gas leaks. According to Principal Joe Perkins, leaks were found in three classrooms and the gym.

The gas leaks are caused by faulty valves in the gas lines leading to the heaters in the affected rooms. Due to Public Service Commission rules, the affected area must remain closed for 12 hours after the leak is fixed.

Under a directive from the City of Montevallo, all rooms in MHS are to be checked and any leaks found must be repaired at the expense of the school.

A similar leak was detected and repaired earlier this year in the science lab.

Sixteen Montevallo Middle School teachers, with Principal Frances Smitherman, completed a 7-hour American Red Cross First Aid course on Saturday, Feb. 6.

Teams from the 6th, 7th, and 8th grades have been selected for participation in a countywide "Scholars Bowl."

Students help with bloodmobile

Six MHSers assisted the Red Cross with a bloodmobile Feb. 11. Juniors Jim Davidson, Dan Thompson, Julie Sutton, Paige Black, Deana Floyd and senior Robyn Perkins worked in shifts at Montevallo United Methodist Church.

The Blood Mobile was open from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. and brought in 71 donors.

Students were excused from school to go and donate blood. The amount given by students was credited to the school.

Teacher to end year early

Friday, Feb. 26, will be physics/math instructor Teresa Dollar's last day to teach classes this year. She will be on maternity leave for the remainder of the semester.

Although nothing definite has been decided, Principal Joe Perkins says that former chemistry/math teacher Jim Hermecz might take Mrs. Dollar's place. Plans call for Mrs. Dollar to return to MHS next fall.

Mrs. Dollar says that she is leaving at the end of the six weeks to make it easier on the substitute teacher. The baby is due March 22.

Clinic planned for students

All students, male and female, were given the opportunity to sign up for cheerleading this week.

Faculty members will review the candidates Monday. Those with suspensions, poor grades or bad conduct will not be allowed to tryout. A list of approved candidates will be posted Feb. 3, according to sponsor Melissa Garrett.

Candidates will be required to attend cheerleading clinic, Feb. 24-Mar. 2, in order to perform jumps and stunts as well as various cheers for the tryouts Mar. 3.

Rings delivered

In a special assembly Tuesday, juniors viewed a film when they picked up their class rings. The film, shown by Mr. Bert Jones of Jostens, dealt with school spirit and ring pride.

The rings will be held in the office until the beginning of March for those who did not have the money. They will then be available at Jostens.



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KEEPING TIME!

Band director Joe Glasgow practices his "form" as he prepares the band for district competition.

In district contest--

Troubadours rate 'superior'

GIVING A "SUPERIOR" performance last Thursday at the District Band Festival, MHS symphonic band members earned a place at the State Competition set for April. The district contest was held at Shades Valley High School in Homewood.

"I was very impressed," "very musical," "nice sound" and "an extremely rough schedule" were comments heard from various band directors after the Troubadours' presentation.

Each year, bands must choose music for competition from the Alabama Bandmasters' Association Handbook, which lists selections according to difficulty. A director must select music from the difficulty section corresponding to his school's size or larger.

This year, as in years past, MHS performed music from the highest difficulty section, corresponding to the largest 4A schools.

Band director Joe Glasgow says, "This is a very big challenge for us, but Thursday proved that we can compete with any band in the state."

Musicians claim high honors

SENIORS ELLEN ARNOLD, Gladys Brasher, Taylor Lawrence and Anna Lott left for the All-State Band Music Festival at the University of Alabama yesterday. They gained membership in the bands at tryouts Jan. 30.

Ellen and Anna were placed in red band, claiming first French horn and second clarinet in the district, respectively. Taylor came in third on trumpet, putting him in white band, and Gladys placed tenth on clarinet for a blue band position.

The musicians tried out for placings in their respective bands yesterday. After practicing three days (Mar. 5, 6, 7), the bands will give a concert on Saturday.

"I am extremely proud of these students for their achievements," comments band director Joe Glasgow.

Spring vacation set

Today is the last day of school until Mar. 15 for all Alabama school systems.

Beginning Mar. 8, students and teachers begin a one-week spring holiday. On Thursday and Friday of the week, the Alabama Education Association (AEA) will meet in Birmingham.

Also, today report cards will be distributed during the homeroom period.



SHOVE 'EM IN!

Sophomores Shelia Paschel and Ellen Finley stack their books away as they look to spring holidays.

Scholars win 2A competition

Five MHS students captured the 2A division title in an area-wide Scholar's Bowl tournament at Jefferson State Junior College last Friday. The team, composed of seniors Ellen Arnold, Beth Hughes, Taylor Lawrence, Anna Lott and Krislin Stewart, was classified as Division I, which is made up of 1A and 2A schools.

After winning their first five rounds against Oak Grove, Cleveland, Cold Springs, Jemison and Alabama School of Fine Arts, Montevallo was named Division I winner.

The team then competed with the Division II champions for an overall championship. Athens was the tournament winner but this did not affect Montevallo's 2A title.

Dr. Lusia McPherson, director of the county resource program, organized the team and will accompany them when they represent the Jefferson-Shelby Area in the 2A district tournament in April.

Pelham to host summer classes

Montevallo, Thompson and Pelham High Schools will now be holding summer school at one location per summer.

This was agreed upon by principals of the three schools who felt that by consolidating and forming one school more adequate courses could be offered for students from all three schools.

Pelham will host summer classes this year. Various details such as the cost and classes will be published at a later date.

Pupils sign for classes

Students in grades 9-11 pre-registered for next year's classes yesterday during an extended homeroom. Final registration will be held in May.

Students were given a tentative list of classes to be taught Wednesday and asked to discuss plans with their parents.

One class change is presently known. Chemistry, which is alternated with physics, will be on next year's schedule.

The purpose of pre-registration is to help students be aware of plans and assist the school in preparing for next year.

Alumni tells NHS of college

National Honor Society members had a chance to learn about college at Tuesday's meeting. The group invited college students who graduated from MHS to speak at the "college collage."

Included on the agenda was a question/answer session in which NHS members questioned the students on various aspects of college life.

According to NHS president Gladys Brasher, the purpose of the meeting was to get answers about inside college life that one cannot get from college brochures.

Students who spoke to the group were Rusty Nix ('81) and Tammy Whitfield ('81).

Guidance counselor Colleen Colley is National Honor Society sponsor.

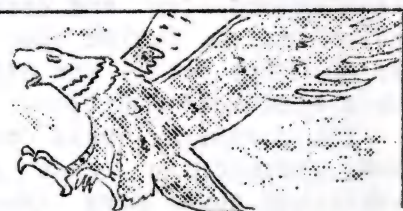
It's news downtown--

Lady Falcons host tourney

University of Montevallo's Lady Falcons hosted the Division II State Tournament, Feb. 25-27, at Myrick Hall. Coach Becky Glass was in charge. Livingston won the meet.

On Mar. 20, a luncheon/fashion show will be sponsored by United Methodist Women at the Methodist Church. Spring and summer fashions will be provided by the Elizabeth Shoppe.

Seniors Ellen Arnold and



Beth Hughes and sophomores Susan Hardin and Jennifer will be among the models.

State playoffs, hosted by the Shelby County All-Star team, and the World Series of the Dizzy Dean Baseball League for 17 and 18 year olds will be held at UM's baseball park this summer.

Expenses will be paid from a \$15,000 grant from Gov. Fob James to the City of Montevallo.

EDITORIALS



As changes increase--

Study proves vital

With only eleven weeks left in school, seniors should get the most out of the rest of their high school education.

Someone that expects to step out of high school and get a good job without a skill is mistaken. Today, due to advanced technology, there is no demand for unskilled labor. In addition, skills that are needed now may not be of any use in ten years because of the rapidly changing technology in today's society.

Each senior should use his time and do as much as possible to get the best education that is available so that they will be ready to face an ever-changing world.

Special teacher praised

With the close of February, the last vestiges of Black History Month wound to a national recognitive halt. Even though the month is over, a certain individual who was passed over for widespread acclaim deserves praise from the community which she has affected tremendously. Mrs. Barbara Belisle has made outstanding contributions to MHS and the community as a black, a teacher and a citizen.

Not only has excellence in her field of English and drama brought recognition, but also personal contributions to the lives of her students. As a teacher, she demands excellence from her students, yet she is understanding and caring. She displays a unique quality of compatability with all students.

As a black American, she has risen above the barriers of her race. She achieves, yet does not make demands because she is a minority member. She is an example for black citizens in pursuing true equality.

As a person, she has set an example for all Americans. She continues in her true interest in all of humankind.

Mrs. Belisle maintains her high position in the hearts of MHS students as a superlative friend.

Taylor Lawrence
Co-Editor

School vandalism deserves attention

This school year the serious problem of vandalism has plagued MHS's society. Such happenings as slicing of wrestling mats and the cutting of tires are actions that must be stopped.

Anyone observing such deeds should report the culprits and the violation to the proper authorities.

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Juniors complete plans

Plans for the '82 Junior-Senior Prom are in the final stages. The Sheraton Inn on Third Avenue downtown Birmingham is the location for this formal event held May 7.

School 'rocks' after holidays

Friday, Mar. 19, is the date set for an after-school sock hop. The dance, from 3:00 to 5:00 is co-sponsored by MHS's Student Council and officers of the Council at Montevallo Middle School.

"The main purpose of the sock hop," states SC president Beth Hughes, is to give middle school students a glimpse of high school life."

Admission for the dance, in the MHS auditorium, is \$1 for singles and \$1.50 for couples. The event is open to all high school and middle school students

UM students teach

Have you seen the new faces here at MHS? They aren't students but second semester student teachers.

Miss Paula Vinson and Miss Lori Danley, University of Montevallo seniors, are teaching with Mrs. Junnie Craig and Mrs. Jane Darden in the home ec department.

Miss Debbie Allison is teaching for PE teacher Dot Bishop until Apr. 2, when she moves to Montevallo Elementary School.

Miss Cindy O'Brien, now at MES, will start at MHS Apr. 4 and finish the term.

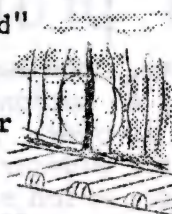
All student teachers will leave May 7.

Beginning at 8:00, music will be provided by Astrology for the third consecutive year. Refreshments will be catered by the hotel.

Junior class president Sally McMillan states, "If everyone continues to work as hard as they have been doing, then the prom will be a great success."

Club to try 'Rest Assured'

"Rest Assured" by Donald Payton was chosen by drama sponsor Barbara Belisle for her club's spring production.



Tryouts are scheduled for this afternoon.

The three-act comedy will encompass 13 players. "It has been praised by drama coaches all across the country," Mrs. Belisle comments.

The production will be given in the high school auditorium May 18.

MHSers visit Auburn E-Day

Seniors Gladys Brasher, Jeff Gentry, Sammy Nix, Ben Peete and Kenny Pruitt attended E Day at Auburn University last week. Sponsored by the School of Engineering, E Day gives Alabama high school students a chance to see what engineering students study at college. Auburn senior Greg Hardin (MHS '78) was in charge of the day.

After registration, students visited exhibits set up by the different departments of the College of Engineering. Tours of the campus and of the engineering labs were also included. Lunch was donated by local groups. Entertainment was provided by the Auburn Singers.

From the Library--

Journal honors MMS librarian

by Michael Staggs

Middle school librarian Kathy Vogel was recently chosen by the School Library Journal to write an article about her media calendar.

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Once again the MHS library has prepared all its records for the Title IV-B investigators. The investigators decide whether the library will receive federal funding.

"Sophomore Wade Leach, freshman Michael Martin and I worked extra hard to gather the information and have everything ready before Mar. 4," comments librarian Melissa Garrett.

Scout views job

Montevallo Eagle Scout Jim Davidson, will spend a day on the job with Richard Condry of IBM Corporation of Birmingham.

Sponsored by the Birmingham Area Council, Mar. 4 has been declared Eagle Scout Day. "This will be a good experience and a big help in choosing a career," Jim comments.

March 17 to honor St. Patrick

by Rhonda Edwards

ST. PATRICK'S DAY is celebrated on Mar. 17 in honor of the patron saint of Ireland--although not everyone knows the history of this saint.

St. Patrick was born in Britain. When he was 16 years old, pirates captured him and sold him as a slave in Ireland. During his captivity, he devoted himself to religion.

After six years of slavery, Patrick escaped and returned to Britain.

As a result of his experiences, Patrick came up with the idea of converting the Irish to Christianity. He founded more than 300 churches and baptized more than 120,000 persons.

Many stories about St. Patrick have been told and are based only on legend.

One of the best-known tales tells how he charmed the snakes of Ireland into the sea.

According to another legend, Patrick used a three-leaf shamrock to illustrate the idea of Trinity. Many people believe that the shamrock, symbolic of St. Patrick's Day, came to be the traditional symbol of Ireland as a result of this legend.

Today, Irish Catholics throughout the world celebrate St. Patrick's Day on this feast day, Mar. 17.

Dailey places 1st

Junior Reburn Dailey won a first place medal in the Air Cooled Engines Department competition at Nunnelley State Technical College, May 3.

The event was the Alabama VICA Association District III Contest.

Bands to play

Concerts scheduled for Boutwell Auditorium in Birmingham this month are as follows:

Mar. 6--Ozzie Osbourne
13--Don Williams
20--Jimmy Buffet

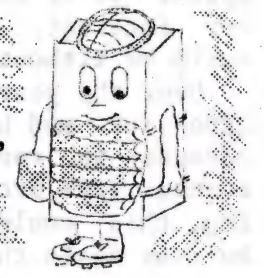
The Civic Center sets the stage for Rod Stewart on Mar. 11 and for the Police, Mar. 16.

Locker Laughs--

Currency causes laughter



Baseball season
Is drawing near,
And football players
Train for next year.
Spring break, of course,
Is on the way,
As Locker Laughs
Help make our day.



While discussing currency in 1st period economics class, teacher Don Benton asked what was on the back of a \$100 bill. He then explained that it had something to do with Benjamin Franklin.

"I know," said senior John Devinner, "a kite."

When another class was discussing money, Mr. Benton asked, "Why do we make coins?"

Senior Jesse Holsomback said, "To make change."

Spring brings beautiful things

by Lori Weiss

Spring is . . .

Flowers blooming
Sunshine gently beaming

Temperatures rising
Funnier times beginning

Crazy moods appearing
Baseball players scoring

Bathing suits revealing
Trees softly whispering

Butterflies gliding
Buttercups bobbling

In 1st period single living class, teacher Jane Darden was passing out a post test when sophomore Ricky Dobson asked, "What is a post test?"

"A test you're not 'posta' take," classmate Bo Greer piped up.

Working on SPOTLIGHT, senior Michael Staggs said, "I had a real brainstorm but can't remember it."

"Must've been just a cloud-burst," classmate Jeff Gentry commented.

Bulldog growls--

After absence track returns

by Lessie Gaddis

As spring arrives, it is good to know MHS will add track back to its athletic field with Miss Dot Bishop as the coach.



After a year's absence due to a lack of funds, several have signed for the sport.

Several females as well as men have indicated an interest in this extra-curricular activity.

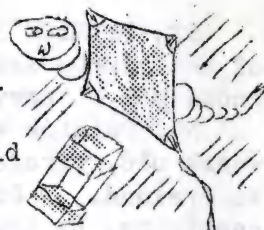
Even though workouts will be held mostly on the squad's own time, we are glad to have Miss Bishop take the time to coach the sport. If it were not for her interest, we would again be without track.

Over the years, MHSers have set and broken the records in various field events. With proper training, this could very well be true again this year.

Chinese invention still soars

by Ellen Arnold

FROM CHINA, LAND OF PANDAS, RICE, communism and the wall, comes one of America's favorite March pastimes. Doting the skies with various shapes, sizes and colors, these objects are held to the earth by a single thread. What are they? Kites, of course!



With the beginning of March and the breezy weather that accompanies it, more and more kites can be seen wherever there is open space and enough wind to support them. In addition to the traditional box and bow-shaped kites, butterflies, birds, people and even caterpillars and dragons are seen flying through the air.

More than entertainment

Kites are more than just a form of entertainment. The history of science is filled with examples of kites used for experiments.

Perhaps the most familiar use of a kite for experimental purposes is Benjamin Franklin's demonstration of electrical current using a kite.

Kites were used to record the temperature of clouds, to measure wind velocity and to forecast weather in the early 1900's.

A kite was used in the early stages of the development of the airplane.

Chinese are champs

The Chinese remain the "king" of the kite-making art. The ninth day of the ninth month of each year is set aside there as Kite's Day.

In this festival, adults and children alike fly their homemade kites in the streets. All are extravagant--some more than sixty feet long. Many are equipped with wind-operated musical instruments like chimes and bells.

A "plain old kite" is not so bad, though. Most kite-fliers agree that it is not the way a kite looks that counts, it is the thrill that the owner gets from flying it.

Coach to hold Bible study course

Coach Richard Gilliam will be leading the FCA in a weekly Bible study on Monday nights at 7:00.

Topics for the sessions include a general study of the Bible, God's plan of salvation and the Biblical guidelines for dating, sex and marriage.

Other topics are to be added at a later date. The themes were suggested by the members at their regular monthly meetings.

'Dogs take to diamond

by Michael Boothe

It's that time of year again to pull out the old bat and glove to start the baseball season. The Bulldogs open play this year as they travel to Vincent on Mar. 29 and to Shelby County the following day.

Players not involved in football spring training began practice Feb. 24, with University of Montevallo students Steve Bucanan, Ricky Dunn and Bobby Hatter directing until Coach Richard Gilliam completes football spring training, Mar. 19.

Six of last year's starting line-up were lost to graduation, so plenty of positions will be open. Coach Gilliam comments, "I'm anxious to get started, but our football spring training has to come first."

Team falls in semifinals

Montevallo's men varsity basketball squad ended their season in the semifinals of the Area Tournament at Vincent as they lost 58-59 to Talladega County Training School. TCTS went on to defeat Winterboro for the area title and West End for the region championship and a trip to state. In the first round of state play the Tigers were eliminated by Autaugaville, who won the state 2A title.

In the area semifinals with the Tigers, All-Area Bulldogs Tim Jones and J. J. Moore led MHS with 15 and 13 points, respectively. Eric Tolbert (honorable mention All-Area) chipped in 12.

Trailing by five at the half, MHS closed the gap to one (29-28) going into the fourth quarter but couldn't hold on.

Area MVP Percy Tuck put in nine points in the final period and teammate Frank Sillmon scored ten for TCTS.

The 'Dogs, ending the season with a 9-14 record, lose only two players to graduation-- Jones and Tolbert.

Weightlifting helps

Several men have recently reached their weightlifting goals. For their efforts they earn a club shirt representing the pounds they can lift.

Steve Glosson, James Rutledge and Clyde Sailes received 225 lbs. shirts and senior Lloyd Pickett got the 275 lbs. shirt from Coach Richard Gilliam.

"These men surely are working hard and many are reaching their goals in weightlifting," states Coach Gilliam.

Sophomore Clyde Sailes adds, "The program helps us in football."

Calera hosts spring games

After four weeks of practice, the 30 members of the varsity football team will play Briarwood's Lions in the annual Spring Jamboree.

The game, to be played at Calera's Ricky M. Cairns Field, Mar. 19, will consist of two 12-minute quarters.

The first match-up will be between Chelsea and Cathedral. Then MHS will take on Briarwood in the second game. Calera and Vincent play in the final round.

Coach Richard Gilliam comments, "I think we have a good nucleus out this spring."

College game injures Hayes

Through the first seven games of the 1981-82 Auburn basketball season, former MHSer Earl Hayes had become a vital part of Auburn basketball.

Averaging seven points and four rebounds a game, Earl was fast becoming a star as a War Eagle.

Then in the seventh game of the season, tragedy struck. On a slam dunk play, Hayes struck his right hand on the rim, fracturing it.

The following day at practice, he fell and broke it. These two injuries forced Earl out of the line-up until Mar. 3 when he returned to action in the SEC tournament.

Track begins

Coach Dot Bishop and MHSers interested in becoming members of the track team held an organizational meeting yesterday after school.

This will be the first time MHS has had track in its sports curriculum in two years.

Yearbook staff challenges KICKS

FM radio station KICKS 106 demonstrated their basketball skills against the MHS yearbook staff last night at MHS.

The MONTALA team consisted of Mike Boothe, Lessie Gaddis, Jesse Holsomback, Mike Peacock, Ruth Perkins, Paul Spicer and David Tishler.

Money from admissions went to the '82 MONTALA fund. "This is a fun way for the staff to raise money," comments Mrs. Melissa Garrett, yearbook sponsor. "We appreciate everyone's support," she adds.

El-Mid News--

MMS honors fantasy author

Today the movie, *The Hobbit*, is being shown to Montevallo Middle School students. It is in celebration of the 25th anniversary of its publication by author J.R.R. Tolkien.

February was "Branch Out in Nature" month at MMS. Classes viewed nature films and participated in special programs.

During "Arbor Week," Feb. 22-26, an Arbor Day program was held Feb. 22 by science teacher Emily Pendleton and section 4 of her 7th grade group. They planted 14 trees.

To promote school spirit, Montevallo Elementary School is selling bright orange T-shirts with a blue MES design on the front.

They were on sale during this week to students and parents for \$5 from 7:30 to 8:00 a.m.

Title I reading class had a read-a-thon. Parents, teachers and students listened to stories by Title I reading students; Mrs. Lisa David's reading class made art forms and did posters and reports on art life.

New cheerleaders selected

Recently selected cheerleaders for 1982-83 are Debbie Dailey, Ahrian Davis, Shan Davis, Deana Floyd, Donna Glosson, Paula Kimbrell, Felecia McCord, Angie Pruitt, Elise Stewart and Lori Weiss.

After attending a week of clinic, the candidates were judged by a staff of 14 members. The staff was composed of five faculty members, one resident of Montevallo and seven retired cheerleaders.

MHSers awarded prizes

Rusty Nix (MHS '81) collected \$125 and a trophy for showing junior Tracy James's steer in the Auburn Preview FFA Steer Shows. Rusty was showing Tracy's steer while Tracy was at the state wrestling tournament. The steer placed second in Class 5 and was named Reserve Grand Champion of the show.

In the same show, senior Sammy Nix's steer placed sixth. Freshmen Andy Brindley, Bert Peete and Bob Peete also showed steers in the show. Both steers were in Class 2 with Andy's coming in third (\$20) and Bert and Bob's taking fifth (\$10).

Sammy wins again

In another recent show held at Wood Knoll's farm Jan. 30, Sammy's steer was named Reserve Grand Champion and placed second in Class 4.

Sammy also won the senior showmanship division.

More winners

Freshmen Alan Bice, Andy Brindley and Bob Peete entered their steers in this show also. Bob's was second in Class 2; Andy's, seventh in Class 2; and Alan's, seventh in Class 4.

Any steer making it past the district will go to the State FFA Steer Show to be held during AEA holidays.

Agribusiness teacher Tony Berry advises the students and accompanies them to the shows.

Students plan AEA activities

by Joyce Stewart

Today students will be anxiously awaiting the 1 p.m. bell which signals the MHS annual Orange and

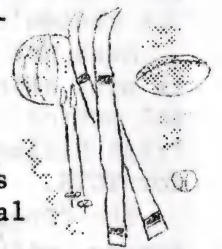
Blue game and also the end of classes as spring vacation begins.

Students' activities for next week will range from entering the hospital to traveling.

Junior Paige Black will go skiing in Gatlinburg, Tenn., while junior Van Hawks and sophomore Meador McClanahan visit other parts of Tennessee.

Seniors Lessie Gaddis and Debra Tyus will spend several days in Georgia with a basketball scout from Piedmont College as classmate Tammy Layton makes further preparations for a July wedding.

Other plans include fishing, attending Rod Stewart in Concert, going to the Spring Fling and seeing the Rodeo in Montgomery.





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At JSJC and in county--

Math students compete

MATH TEAM MEMBERS are competing at Jefferson State Junior College today and are looking toward the Shelby County Math Tournament next Tuesday. The group, reigning champion of the county, has placed first in the county for the past five years.

Four-year team veteran Taylor Lawrence comments, "Our season has done very well so far. We have been competing above our heads in several contests and still placed in the top four."

Team members, along with other interested math students, also took the National Mathematics Examination Mar. 16, which is administered to all high schools interested.

For the fourth year in a row, Taylor scored highest on the test at MHS. Senior Kenny Pruitt placed second and sophomore John Hawkins, third.

Results of the test are sent to the National Mathematics Association, sponsor of the test. Awards are given for highest overall team and individual scores in the nation.

PTA will elect

PTA will be held Apr. 5 at Montevallo High School. Plans for the meeting call for the selection of officers for next year.

According to Principal Joe Perkins, this session will be a semi-open house. Teachers will be there to answer questions, but rooms will not be open as they were at the Open House held in the fall.



PRACTICE MAKES PERFECT

Math club members Susan Hardin and Joy Williams continue to practice for scheduled competitions.

With pressbox, pictures--

SC plans gym project

PLANS FOR THE ANNUAL Student Council work project for the year have been announced by SC president Beth Hughes. The proposed plan consists of improvements to the gymnasium.

According to plans, the SC will build a pressbox in the gym. Also large pictures of past outstanding MHS graduate basketball players will be displayed on the walls. "We haven't decided on the studio we'll get to enlarge the pictures, but we're checking for the best price," Beth comments.

"We hope our contribution will be worthwhile and appreciated," the president adds.

Teachers choose new workday

DUE TO INCLEMENT WEATHER, teachers missed a previously scheduled workday in January. A poll taken among the teachers showed that a majority favored using Saturday, May 22, as the make-up day. Superintendent Charles A. Knowles has made this date the Teachers Professional Development Make-up Day.

Activities for this day will be centered around exams and graduation, with some specific professional development programs says Principal Joe Perkins.

Flames destroy pressbox

On Sunday night, Mar. 7 a fire destroyed the upper half of the press box at Fisher Stadium. According to the Montevallo Fire Department report, the call was received at 10:45 p.m. though the building had been burning for some time.

The fire inspector said the blaze was apparently caused by an electrical shortage. This could be due to the fact that the

pressbox was used for the Orange/Blue game Mar. 5.

An estimated \$5,000 is needed to repair the top half of the building. To replace the entire building will cost \$10,000.

According to Principal Joe Perkins, the press box will be repaired immediately. "At this time," he explains, "all possibilities for repair are being explored."

Troubadours will compete

Palmer Auditorium on the UM campus will be the setting for the annual University of Montevallo Band Contest tomorrow. MHS's Troubadours will be defending their Class C title from last year.

The Troubadours will perform Chicago Tribune, Original Suite and First Movement of Borodin's Second Symphony. Class and overall winners will be named. Last year Montevallo won first place in their class and second overall.

"There will be some top bands there," says director Joe Glasgow. "It will be stiff competition but a good experience for stata."

MHSers take ACT

Several juniors and seniors will take the ACT Apr. 3 at the University of Montevallo. Others who need to take the exam may register for the June 12 test. Registration must be completed by May 14.

"I strongly encourage juniors to take the ACT in April or June.

"Research indicates that students receive higher scores their junior year," explains Counselor Colleen Colley.

Test dates set

Apr. 6, 7 and 8 will be testing dates for 9th, 10th and 11th graders.

Ninth graders will be taking the basic competency test, while 10th and 11th graders will be completing the California Achievement Test. Given statewide, these tests will be administered in the morning and last approximately 2-2½ hours.

Chorus class may be offered

Chorus, scheduled this year as an activity, has been cancelled for the rest of the 1982 school year since sponsor Teresa Dollar is no longer teaching at MHS.

Principal Joe Perkins and Dr. Ted Pritchett of the music department at the University of Montevallo are trying to prepare a chorus class for students next year.

The course will be an elective one and students may earn credit for the work according to Mr. Perkins. He says that UM students will help in teaching the class if it can be added to the schedule.

US Senator to visit MHS

United States Senator Howard Heflin will speak at a general assembly of the student body Apr. 7 at 11:00 a.m.

According to his secretary Sue Roten, the speech should be on current issues and last about fifteen minutes. Afterwards, students will have the opportunity to ask Sen. Heflin questions.

The session will be open to the public and advertised in local newspapers.

"I think it is great for our school to get someone who is so nationally well known," comments Principal Joe Perkins.

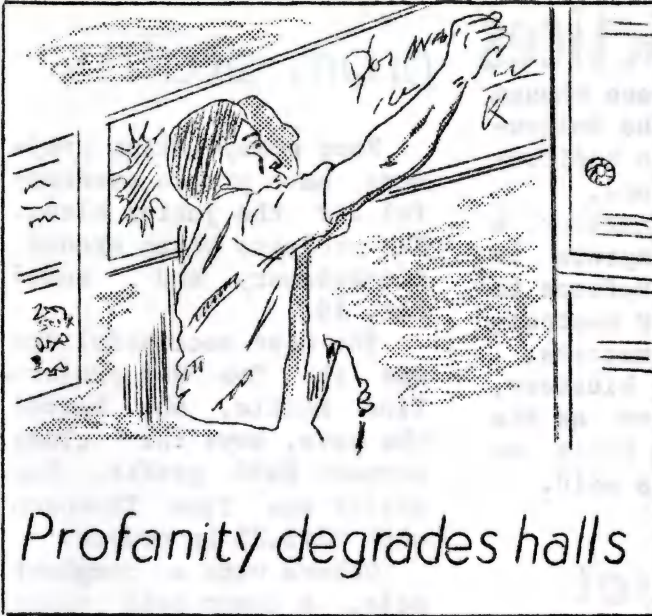
Sen. Heflin, (Democrat) was elected in 1979. He is currently serving on the Senate judicial committee.

Typists battle

All typing students are involved in the annual contest which began Monday.

Teacher Susie DeMent says winners will be decided on the basis of average scores of the typists' three highest speeds over a three-weeks period.

EDITORIALS



Graffiti injures MHS

As a student at Montevallo High School I am extremely disappointed and disgusted with the profanity being written on the posters around school. Students have been defacing these posters all year long.

The purpose of these posters is to advertise events that will get students involved in school activities--not to provide a place for people to make disgraceful remarks.

I feel that this action is a terribly bad reflection on the students of MHS. I would be embarrassed for anyone visiting this school to see such filth.

...Krislin Stewart

Local owner earns praise

Montevallo businessman Jim Frazier, owner of the Scoreboard gameroom, is one of MHS's avid fans.

On display at the Scoreboard is a picture of the Montevallo Bulldogs with each player's signature. Mr. Frazier also has various issues of SPOTLIGHT on the walls.

Not only does he support MHS, but he also encourages good grades by giving five free tokens to students on the A honor roll and three tokens to A-B honor roll students.

Various posted rules and regulations help to keep the business a respectable "hang out" for youths.

A note of appreciation goes to Mr. Frazier for supplying students with a nice clean arcade to go to with friends and for supporting the school so well.

Snow storm still threatens

The massive ice and snow storm which struck the state of Alabama on Jan. 10 left in its wake a dangerous problem.

All across the state there are trees with partially broken limbs hanging in them that may fall.

Squads praised

Praise goes to the football team and cheerleaders for making a fine showing at the spring football jamboree at Calera.

The cheerleaders showed plenty of pep and spirit as the football team represented the school well with a win over Briarwood.

Here at MHS, the large pines in front are in the same condition as many of their sister trees around the state.

These partially cracked limbs threaten to fall at any time. MHS students should be aware that falling limbs could be hazardous to one's health.

....Robbie Allen

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After selections made--

Cast 'rests assured,' practices

MEMBERS OF THE CAST of "Rest Assured" were chosen during spring holidays and began practicing the following week. The comedy will be presented in the auditorium on the night of May 18 by drama club members.

The drama centers around Philip Ulysses Morlock, a self-centered, money-minded stockbroker who expects to have everything exactly as he desires it. He refuses to permit the marriage of his daughter to a poor meatcutter's son and only concentrates on financial matters.

Senior Taylor Lawrence will portray the blustery, iron-handed man, supported by senior Anna Lott as his wife, senior Mary Klemenc and junior Ahrian Davis as his daughters and junior Aretha Paschel as his maid.

Trying to convince Mr. Morlock to consent to the wedding of his daughter are junior Keith Studdard and his "parents" junior Shan Davis and senior Gladys Brasher.

Other cast members are Ellen Arnold, James Carter, Terri Johnson, Benjie Peete, Michele Readal, Kevin Roberts, Daniel Thompson and Joy Williams.

Spring brings busy activities

With spring arriving, the next three months are full of events. The calendar includes:

- Mar. 27--Winter Sports Banquet
- Apr. 3--Math Tournament
- Apr. 6,7,8--CAT Test
- Apr. 16-18--FCA Conference
- May 7--Prom
- May 10-14--Armed Forces Week
- May 14--Awards Day
- May 17-21--County Baseball Tournament
- May 18--Drama Club's play, "Rest Assured"
- May 19--Honor Society Taps
- May 22--Teachers' Work Day
- May 24-26--Exam Week
- May 27--Graduation

Program set

Enon Baptist Church will present a live outdoor production Apr. 11. The Easter Sunday drama is entitled "The Passion Play."

It begins at 7:00 a.m. and will use audience participation.

It's News Downtown--

Club sponsors Trade Day, Fair

Trade Day and Arts and Crafts Fair, sponsored by the Centrala Garden Club will be held Apr. 3 from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.

MHS symphonic band will open the event with a short concert downtown.

On Mar. 30, a "Care Fair," featuring free health screening, will be held at UM's Myrick Hall.

These screenings will include height and weight measurements, vision tests, oral and hearing screening, lung capacity, inherited blood disorders and

Juniors earn prom profits

Four money-making projects have proven successful for the junior class. The projects began around mid-February and ended Mar. 19.

The most successful one was the Tom Wat project. Tina Battle, who headed the sale, says the class earned \$450 profit. Top seller was Tina Thompson with \$243.23 in orders.

Others were a doughnut sale, a light bulb offer and a Stanley Home Products plan.

Class president Sally McMillan praises, "I am pleased with the campaigns and proud of the people in charge. Now we should have enough money to have a nice prom."



screening for blood pressure and anemia.

The fair is sponsored by Shelby Medical Center and the Montevallo Area Services Center.

English and art teacher Ann Parker was recently presented a plaque of appreciation for her years of service as secretary for the Shelby Democratic Executive Committee. Mr. Teddy Brasher, chairman, made the presentation.

Mrs. Parker resigned after serving the group for "about 17 years."

Spring arrives--

Styles change for '82

by Donna Glosson

When the seasons change, so do fashions, and this year is no exception. Last year Izods, polos and Hawaiian shirts were the hit. This year boat neck tops, the tailored look, long-yoked culottes and long, loose jackets are "in." So are all the really odd ones, yachting pants, camisoles, grandfather shirts and Leon Max pants.

When styles change, so do colors.

This year's most popular ones will be black, white, red, khaki, fawn, light blue, green, navy and pimento. Stripes are also popular this year. They are horizontal, vertical or diagonal.

The big issue this year is hemlines. "Long and hip-length vests are popular this spring, while the skirts are shorter, ending above the knee. Shorts will be longer and fuller reaching mid-thigh. Split skirts are rounded and full," states the April issue of CO-ED magazine.

"You can have your own way. You wear your hem the way you want to," informs the February issue of MADEMOISELLE, which could mean a variety of hem lengths at MHS this year.

Seniors save benefits

To receive social security benefits, seniors Mike Boothe, Marilyn Cunningham and Renee Hoop enrolled in Wallace State Junior College in Selma (Clanton Branch) Mar. 15.

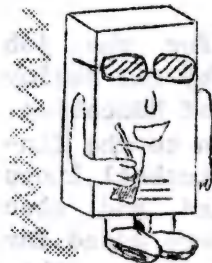
Before enrolling in college, they had to be approved by their principal and the county and state superintendents.

Students now eligible for benefits must be enrolled full time prior to May 1 to get them.

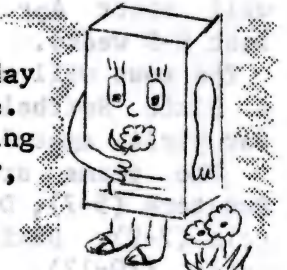


Locker Laughs--

Dead ants 'liven' joke scene



With only nine
More weeks to go,
The 'Dogs take on Monday
The first baseball foe.
The flowers are blooming
With spring in the air,
As Locker Laughs help
Keep our days fair.



After spraying a hoard of ants invading the north end of the hall with Principal Joe Perkins' insect killer, senior Gladys Brasher asked as she returned the spray, "Well, what should we do with all these dead creatures?"

Mr. Perkins replied, "Well, I'm not going to bury them."

During lunch, senior Gretchen Riesener was noticing the nautical spring fashions. After observing several new outfits, she commented to her tablemates, "This sailor stuff has gone overboard."

Class views latest styles

Third year specialized home ec students and their teacher Junnie Craig attended a fashion show on Mar. 15. The latest fashions in ladies dresses and sportswear were shown by the Material Thing in Pelham.

"I think it is encouraging to the girls because all garments were made by home seamstresses," Mrs. Craig comments.

The group is now studying foods and tableservice.

On St. Patrick's Day, several students were commenting on junior Keith Studdard's pin that proclaimed, "Kiss me, I'm Irish."

"Well," said senior Krislin Stewart, "Kiss me, I'm French."

Economics teacher Don Benton, while lecturing his 5th period class, stopped to inquire about a rumor he had heard.

"Is it true," he asked, "that if Mrs. Dollar has a girl, she's going to name her Sylvia or Goldie, and if they're twins, Half and Half?"

Softball starts--

Students get in the swing

As summer draws near, many MHSers have already caught softball fever.

These students include: Robbie Allen, Lessie Gaddis, Lorene Gentry, Glen Hamrick, Tabatha McCary, Carol Paschel, Lloyd Pickett, Pamela and Tanya Staffney, Joyce Stewart, Debra Tyus.

Most play on church teams or in the open league in Montevallo.

Montevallo will have a mens' recreation and open league. They will also have women's open and church league after a two years' absence.

The season at Orr Park will start Apr. 12 and last 8-9 weeks.

The town will also open a Dixie Softball League for girls, ages 5-18.

The teams are Dixie Sweeters (5-7), Dixie Angels (7-9), Dixie Ponytails (10-12), Dixie Belles (13-15) and the Dixie Debs (16-18).

Orange wins annual game

With Robbie Allen and Taylor Blackwell leading the scoring for them, the Orange defeated the Blue 16-14 in the annual intrasquad game. The Orange also took a safety from 17 yards out.

Points for the Blue were made with a 10-yd. run by Howard Gaddis and a 10-yd. pass from Gaddis to Michael Grayson. Orange defensive leaders were J.J. Moore and Lonnie Layton. Rick Dobson and Barry Worthy sparked the Blue defense.

Coach Richard Gilliam comments, "I think the Orange-Blue game is helpful because everyone learns how out of shape they are and how far they need to go." He adds, "The game gives everyone a little game experience, which is so important."

In football jamboree--

Bulldogs blank Lions 6-0

Howard Gaddis's 11-yd. pass to Taylor Blackwell spelled defeat for the Briarwood Lions as the Bulldogs knocked off the favored Lions 6-0 in the spring jamboree game at Calera last Friday.

Despite inexperience and the loss of injured starting guard Clyde Sailes, the front line of the 'Dogs batted the more experienced Lions back with ease.

The Bulldogs lost no time in putting their winning touchdown on the board as they took the ball on their first possession and marched 81 yards to score.

Defense was the issue for the rest of the two-quarters game as the 'Dogs bowed their backs and kept Briarwood from the goal line despite a late fumble on their own 10.

County adds finish to floor

During spring holidays a new finish was added to the gym.

The work was completed by Dixie Chemical Company, through a contract by Mr. Bobby Hughes.

The cost for the job was assumed by the Shelby County Board of Education.

In addition to the finish, the basketball lines were repainted and also new lines were added for shuffleboard and other games which are taught in physical education.

Squads start meets at THS

MHS's track teams, both junior and varsity, open the season today at 3:00 at Thompson.

Jemison, Clanton, MHS and Thompson will compete against each other in this season opener.

MHS juniors on the team are Kevin Colley and Jennifer Wilder (long distance); and Bill and Lisa Devinner, Lorene Gentry and Kevin Lacey (short distances).

Varsity short distance runners are Aaron Alford, Lester Arnold, Tony Hagfins, Debra Sailes and Pamela Staffney.

Long distance runners are Van Hawks, Tracy James, Tracy Smitherman and Larry Readal.

Jeff Chism and Lonnie Layton will participate in field events. Chism will also run short distances.

On the diamond--

Baseball's here

Fifteen games plus any area playoff and county tournament matches are ahead for the Bulldogs in baseball. Here is their regular season schedule:

Mar. 29	Vincent	Th
30	Shelby Co.	Th
Apr. 2	Calera	UM
6	Chelsea	UM
7	Briarwood	Th
9	Calera	UM
12	Jemison	UM
15	Chelsea	Th
20	Briarwood	UM
22	Thompson	Th
24	Brookwood	UM
May 4	Shelby Co.	UM
6	Thompson	UM
10	Pelham	UM
11	Vincent	UM

Area playoffs are set for Apr. 30 - May 1. The Shelby County Tournament will be May 17-21 at UM.

Boosters entertain

Winter sports athletes will be in the spotlight tomorrow night as MHS's Athletic Boosters host the annual banquet.

The event will be held at 5:45 p.m. in the Montevallo Room of UM's cafeteria.

Bulldogs start '82 season

Monday afternoon the Bulldogs open their baseball season at Vincent. Then on the following day, they will face the Shelby County Wildcats at Columbiana.

While the Yellowjackets will be the 'Dogs' first opponent, both Vincent and Shelby County will have already tasted some game experience as they participated in early season tournaments.

MHS transfer second baseman from Berry High, Chris Wilder, comments, "Everyone is looking real sharp, and we have good team spirit." He adds, "We have a good chance of defeating Vincent this year since they've lost some key players through graduation."

This year the Shelby County baseball tournament will be hosted by Montevallo High. It will be played at the University of Montevallo field.

Vincent was to host the tourney but had to give it up because of no lights.

The tournament is set for May 17-21.

Bulldog Growls--

'Dogs play on UM's field

by Lessie Gaddis

For the first time in MHS history, the baseball team will play all their games under the lights. All home games will be played on the University of Montevallo's Kermit Johnson Field.

MHS will also host the Shelby County Baseball Tournament at UM. (Practice is still held on the Bulldogs' own field.)



MHS Day held

The athletic department at the University of Montevallo sponsored MHS Day Tuesday.

All students and faculty were admitted free to see the UM Falcons play Kalamazoo, Mich., on their newly lighted field, where MHS will play all its home games this season.

Student coaches add spice

Special volunteer assistants provided a variety of coaching techniques for MHS baseball players while baseball coach Richard Gilliam was involved with spring training football. UM students Steve Buchanan, Ricky Dunn and Bobby Hatter have been practicing for three weeks with players not involved in football.

All three student coaches have experience in baseball. Steve played four years at Shelby County High and is a certified umpire. Ricky and Bobby both played at McAdory High--Ricky, three years; Bobby, four. Bobby helped coach at McAdory one year, and Ricky was a baseball coach while he was in the Air Force in England.

The University of Montevallo complex is one of the best small college fields in the country.

The student body, players, coaches and boosters thank Falcon Coach Bob Riesener and the UM athletic department for letting us use the field.

We hope to keep this privilege in the years to come for MHS baseball.

With contests--

Students, steers wind up year

by Gladys Brasher

SIX MHSers AND THEIR STEERS earned the right to progress to all levels of competition this year--county, district and state.

Senior Sammy Nix and his 1200-lb. steer Oscar earned the highest rankings of the Montevallo group in district and state, taking 2nd and 8th respectively. They placed 4th in the county.

Junior Tracy James and Heathen, a 1295-pounder, took 3rd at county, 9th at district and 17th at state. Freshman Alan Bice with Sledge, placed 6th at county, where he also earned 3rd in showmanship; 12th at district and 27th at state. Sledge weighed 1230 pounds.

Freshman Andy Brindley and 1010-lb. Griff were 2nd at county, 6th at district and 21st at state.

Mohican, a 940-pounder, captured a 1st place ribbon at county in his weight division for freshmen Bob and Bert Peete. They took 3rd at district and 22nd at state.

The county show took place at the Lonnie Russell farm in Montevallo, district was held at the Fairgrounds in Birmingham and the state show in Montgomery.

After the state show, the steers were taken to Polar Lockers to be slaughtered. Each steer owner received 90¢ per pound for their steers.

What does one get from the year-long affair of raising a steer?

Sammy explains, "One develops the ability to judge and appreciate livestock and gains valuable self-discipline.

"In addition, one learns about making investments."

Class looks at romance

Students in Mrs. Junnie Craig's family living class are learning about love, dating and engagement. Miss Paula Vinson, a student teacher from the University of Montevallo, is the instructor.

Miss Vinson will be teaching this subject for six weeks. In the last two weeks of her stay, she will teach all of Mrs. Craig's classes. "The reason for teaching this course is to prepare the students for life," Miss Vinson says.

Cheerers raise funds--

Weiss elected to head squad

During their first meeting of the year last Tuesday, the 1982-83 cheerleaders elected head Lori Weiss. The group also began a litter basket sale. The items feature a bulldog emblem on them and cost \$4.95 and \$5.95.

The squad has projected a goal of \$850 to help pay for summer clinic expenses and new uniforms. Fund raising includes the litter basket project, selling M and M's and sponsoring a booth at Trade Day.

The meeting also included practicing chants and cheers for last Friday's jamboree and a review of the cheerleader constitution.

"I'm real excited about the squad's enthusiasm this year. It's going to be a lot of hard work with only three girls returning, but the newcomers seem eager to learn," Lori comments.

El-Mid News--

Kindergarteners sign up at MES

by Gladys Brasher

Registration for kindergarten is being conducted at Montevallo Elementary School.

Parents need to bring their child's birth certificate and blue immunization sheet with them to register. Children need to be five years old by Oct. 2, 1982.

Eighth grader Jon Carter won the schoolwide spelling bee at Montevallo Middle School. He will compete in the county bee later this spring.

In the county Scholars' Bowl Contest, the 6th grade won first place.

The 7th and 8th grade teams brought home second place trophies.

THE MIDDLE YEARS, MMS's yearbook, was distributed Mar. 22 to the students and faculty.



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Grants press conference--



SENATOR HOWELL HEFLIN

Senator Heflin visits MHS

MHSers had the opportunity to hear United States Senator Howell Heflin speak in an assembly Wednesday. Before delivering his speech, Sen. Heflin held a press conference for journalism classes in which students were able to ask questions on various current issues.

"This was a good experience for our staff. We really appreciate Mr. Heflin giving us his time," comments SPOTLIGHT co-editor Ellen Arnold.

SPOTLIGHT advisor Cathy Bearden states that "since it is so unusual to get to interview a senator, we opened the news conference to other Shelby County Schools' newspaper staffs."

In his talk Mr. Heflin told MHSers and their guests

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Period closes

Next Friday ends the 5th six-weeks grading period. Report cards go out the following Thursday.

There are now 33 school days until graduation day, May 27.

Math team ranks top in county

Math team members captured top honors in the Shelby County Math Tournament Mar. 30, placing first among the county's public schools. The advanced team maintained its winning record of ranking among the top four teams in this year's contest.

Senior Taylor Lawrence placed highest overall on the written exam for the sixth year in a row, and highest

among the seniors. Senior Robyn Perkins placed second in the advanced level, and junior Joy Williams and sophomore Susan Hardin were winners in their respective grade divisions.

On Mar. 26 the advanced team placed second at Jefferson State Junior College, where Taylor gained a \$35-first-place prize as best overall performer.

The advanced team will have a place in state competition at UAB later in April if they scored high on the qualifying test last Saturday.

Scholars to compete at district

Next Tuesday five MHS seniors will travel to Lawson State Junior College to compete in the district finals of the statewide Scholars' Bowl. The students are under the leadership of Dr. Lusia MacPherson, director of the county resources program.

Team members are Ellen Arnold, Beth Hughes, Taylor Lawrence, Anna Lott and Krislin Stewart.

Montevallo achieved this slot in the playoff by defeating Alabama School of Fine Arts in 2A area, earlier in March. If the team wins next week, they will advance to state competition later in April.

Former MHS resource teacher Martha Brewer led the Montevallo Middle School team to a first-place victory in the county Scholars' Bowl tournament for middle schools last week.

Senator Heflin speaks - (Cont.)

that his visits to high schools were modeled after the New England town meetings.

Three problems mentioned

Mr. Heflin spoke of three problems facing the nation today. The first problem is the change of leadership in Russia and how this will affect the United States.

Next, he explained how the production of inventions could either harm or help mankind in the future. The inventions he mentioned were those of nuclear fusion, solar power and laser technology.

Mr. Heflin then noted the "Japanese threat," which is not from a military standpoint but an industrial one that could take Americans' jobs.

Values for Americans

Senator Heflin listed several values that Americans should put to use. "Life is always a continual educational pursuit," he commented.

At the end of his talk, Senator Heflin gave the student body and guests an opportunity to ask questions. During a 30-minute session, he gave his opinion on such issues as budget cuts in education and "Reaganomics."

He also answered questions concerning the importance of the renewal of the Clean Air Act and the space program of the United States government.

It's News Downtown--

Easter brings Sunrise Service

Montevallo Ministereal Association will sponsor the annual Easter Sunrise Service at the college lake at 6 a.m. Sunday.

Former MHS teacher Jim Weese will direct an ensemble to provide music for the event. Various pastors will read scripture and speak. Refreshments will be served following the service.



Comedian Andy Andrews, local rock and roll bands and science fiction movies are scheduled entertainment for UM's Alpha Epsilon Rho's "Zuma Beach Party" Apr. 19.

Tickets are \$3 advanced and \$4 at the gate. They can be bought from Shelby World of Music, ETV Building, Charlemagne Record Exchange and any UM Alpha Epsilon Rho student.

Band rates superior at UM

The Troubadours earned superior ratings at the University of Montevallo's Band Contest Mar. 27.

First place overall went to Berry High. Meek High won the Class C title which MHS took last year.

"Although we had a good year, we didn't play as well as I expected. But out of four contests, we received eleven '1's' and only one '2,' which is impressive," comments director Joe Glasgow.

At Attention Home--

Talent show to help needy

Those who wish to test their talents and do a good deed at the same time will have a chance at the County Talent Show May 15. The show, to be held at Pelham High School will benefit the Shelby Youth Services and Attention Home.

Auditions will be held through Apr. 12 at the Home. Individuals should call 663-5842 to reserve an audition time. There are two divisions of competition: students (ages 8-18) and adults (18 and up).

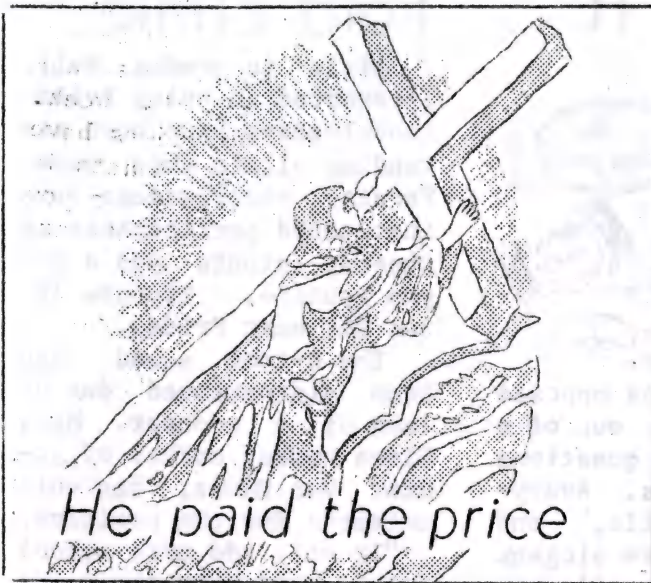
Grand prize is \$100 for the student division and an expense paid trip to New Orleans for the adult winner. First, second and third prizes will also be awarded.

The Attention Home is organized to help young people in need. It deals with runaways, drug abuse, unwanted pregnancies and children without parents.

Because of cuts in federal funds, the Home is raising its own operation money this year.

The Talent Show will take place at 7 p.m., with several drawings for door prizes provided by merchants in the Shelby County area. Winners' prizes are furnished by Ross Nealy Trucking and the Indian Springs Women's Service Club.

EDITORIALS



Christ insures salvation

Wouldn't it be fantastic as a player or coach in athletics to go into the game knowing ahead of time that the victory was already decided in your favor? How exciting to know, even on the plays that your opponent got the best of you, that the final score would show you as winner. How inspiring to be free to give your best, knowing that despite fumbles, slips and temporary setbacks, you will be victorious because a price has been paid to insure your victory.

As far as the Game of Life is concerned, this has already happened for those of us who are of the Christian Faith. This is what the "Easter Celebration" is all about--not bunnies, Easter eggs, candy, etc. These are a nice touch for families with young children; but the true significance of this day is the celebration of the victory of Jesus Christ the Son of the living God's self-sacrifice for the redemption of all mankind.

What a deeply satisfying and fulfilling life we have under God's Grace and Love. We can live inspired lives motivated by love because our Saviour has already provided for the victory. His Holy Spirit assures us we have everything he has promised in His Holy Word--the Bible.

As we enter the Easter Season, let us do it in a spirit of worship, praise and thanksgiving toward God, with love toward all.
...Richard Gilliam

For US Senator--

MHSers show respect

Student body members are commended for their outstanding behavior during Senator Howell Heflin's visit last Wednesday. Overall, the school represented Montevallo very well by listening attentively, asking thoughtful questions and making the senator feel welcome.

As Principal Joe Perkins mentioned, it was a great honor for a school to be visited by a person of such national renown.

Before leaving the school, Mrs. Barbara Whitman, chairperson of the Shelby County Board of Education, commented that she thought the student body had behaved exceptionally well.

Staff grateful

SPOTLIGHT staff members express appreciation to US Senator Howell Heflin for taking time to speak to them in a press conference prior to his address to the school.

It is an honor that a US official would answer questions on issues of the day from reporters of a high school newspaper.

We thank Mr. Heflin for sharing this part of his active day with us.

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Easy to identify--

Survey reveals 'Coke is it'

by David Tishler

University of Montevallo marketing research students Janis Hart and Kelly Wages presented a soft drink survey to four MHS classes Mar. 18. Seventy-eight students, 39 boys and 39 girls were surveyed.

Coke was preferred by most students, getting 25 votes, while Mt. Dew was second with 21. Only 2 people answered all the slogans right--one male, one female.

Females had a total of 424 right answers as opposed to the males who received 392 right answers out of a possible 624 slogans. The two Coke slogan questions got more right answers than any other slogans. Everyone answered correctly "Have a Coke and a smile," and only one person missed "Coke is it" (Coke's new slogan).

Forty people missed Pepsi's new slogan, "Pepsi's got your taste for life," and only three missed "Catch that Pepsi spirit." "It goes down good," Mr. Pibb's slogan, got only 13 right answers--7 males; 6 females.

No one surveyed said they did not drink soft drinks. Most students said they were more exposed to soft drink ads on TV than from newspapers, radio, magazines and other media.

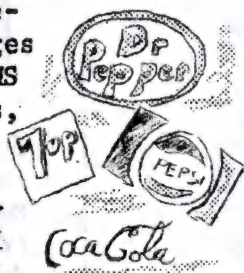
According to Miss Hart the purpose of the survey was "to decide what the consumers want, what slogans are easiest to identify with and what media is the most effective in advertising."

Guest speaks

Mr. Thomas A. Walton, a representative of Liberty National Life Insurance Company, spoke to seniors Apr. 1.

His discussion dealt with purchasing different types of life insurance and using it in a family's financial plan.

The guest's talk was part of a unit on insurance in teacher Don Benton's economics class.



Cheerers hold clinic

Girls in grades 8-11, interested in being B-team cheerleaders, have been attending clinic this week. Varsity cheerleaders have instructed participants in cheers, stunts and a pom pon routine. Tryouts are set for next Friday.

The B-team squad had been discontinued due to lack of a sponsor. Mrs. Clara Hawks, mother of junior Van Hawks, has volunteered for the position.

"It will add more school spirit and give those who go out experience," comments varsity head cheerleader Lori Weiss.

Dramas performed in class

Students in Mrs. Barbara Belisle's speech class and 4th period English class, and in Mrs. Delilah Robinson's 1st period college prep English class recently had the chance to practice acting skills while studying plays.

Mrs. Belisle's advanced English II just finished reading Beyond the Horizon, and are currently studying Thornton Wilder's Our Town. Parts have been assigned to different students and the play is being read aloud in class.

Seniors of Mrs. Robinson's class recently completed a segment on satire of the eighteenth century. As a conclusion to the study, they are reading Richard Sheridan's comedy of manners, The Rivals.

Students in Mrs. Belisle's speech class began studying the history of drama. They are currently reading Ibsen's A Dollhouse, after finishing a study of The Merchant of Venice.

Teneal joins Dollar family

Math and physics teacher Teresa Dollar is now the mother of a .9 lb. 3 oz., 21-inch long baby girl. The baby, her first, was born Mar. 28 at 2:37 p.m., at Baptist Medical Center--Montclair, in Birmingham.

The blonde, dark-blue eyed youngster is named Teneal Dollar, a combination of Teresa and Neal, Mrs. Dollar's husband. Mrs. Dollar returned home from the hospital last Thursday and will resume teaching next year.

I cannot tell a lie--

Truth day offers challenge

by Beth Hughes

Ever tried being totally honest? That means not even telling the smallest white lie or stretching the truth just a little. Last Friday, many MHS seniors found out that being totally honest is a very hard thing to do.

In Mrs. Delilah Robinson's college prep English class last Friday, the students were discussing how much we lie or exaggerate every day, sometimes without even thinking about it. After identifying lying as any intentional falsehood, Mrs. Robinson gave the class a very difficult assignment.

No white lies

The students were instructed to be totally honest for one whole day. They could not tell any white lies even if they did it just to be nice to someone. Most seniors found this very difficult, if not impossible to do. Very few made it through the whole day without telling any falsehoods.

Kenny Pruitt comments, "You can find out a lot about yourself by being totally honest. It really tests your character."

A day for lies

Kevin Roberts adds, "I think it was an ironic thing to do because the day before was April Fool's Day with everyone lying."

"I never realized how many white lies we tell every day while we're just kidding around," says Ruth Perkins.

Almost all seniors agreed that they benefited from the experience. Most added that it made them stop and think of how we are rarely ever completely honest.

FHA holds hunt

FHA members will hold an Easter egg hunt sixth period today for children in the Shelby County Development Center in Almont.

Mrs. Jane Darden's students at the Middle School decorated the eggs.

Colorful eggs symbolize day

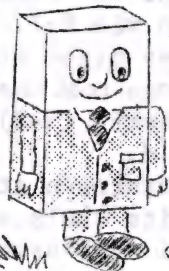
Eggs at Easter time represent new life that returns to nature. This custom began with ancient Egyptians and Persians who often dyed eggs in spring colors and gave them to friends as gifts.

Today, the custom of dying eggs and hiding them for children to hunt at Easter time has now become an American tradition in most homes.

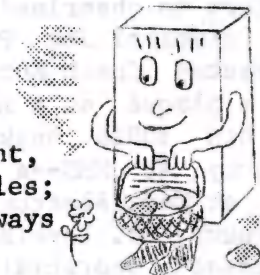
This year, stickers, markers and plastic coverings are all new ways to decorate eggs.

Locker Laughs--

Joke brings 'insured' laugh



When Sunday arrives,
Easter is here;
And old Peter Rabbit
Spreads his cheer.
On the diamond tonight,
It's the Dogs vs Eagles;
And Locker Laughs always
Give us the giggles.



In economics class senior Jesse Holsomback questioned, "Can you buy insurance at any time?"

Teacher Don Benton replied, "Not when the office is closed, Jesse."

To explain why he had started substitute teaching, math/physics teacher Jim Hermecz told his physics class he did it for the money.

"I had to replace a few dollars that were missing," he quipped.

Teacher Cathy Bearden reminded her journalism

class that someone should do a story on stealing since so many people had had things stolen.

Senior Mike Boothe said, "I know who's doing all the stealing."

When junior Robbie Allen asked, "Who?", Mike replied, "The baseball players from first to second."

During Typing II class on Apr. 1, junior Paige Black told classmate Deana Floyd, "Somebody paid me a good compliment today."

"But you have to remember it's April Fool's Day," Deana reminded her.

Boosters honor athletes

Winter sports participants were honored at a banquet hosted by the Athletic Boosters Mar. 27 at the University of Montevallo. Master of Ceremonies was Mr. John G. Blackwell, treasurer of the Boosters, and sophomore Taylor Blackwell's father.

Teams recognized were basketball, wrestling and indoor track, as well as the cheerleaders. In wrestling the most improved and most outstanding performer awards went to Jeff Chism (145 lbs.) His brother Andy received a trophy for the most pins in the 105 lb. class.

In varsity basketball, Tim Jones earned awards for most assists, most valuable player and team captain, along with Eric Tolbert. Junior Mark Jones took the team's spirit award. J. J. Moore received a trophy for most rebounds and tied for the best free throw percentage with Taylor Blackwell. Taylor was also voted most improved and best defensive player.

Keith Moore received the B-team's most improved player trophy.

Cheerleader sponsor Melissa Garrett awarded letters to cheerleaders.

Principal Joe Perkins presented Coach Kurt Pnasek a plaque as a memento of his 100th basketball victory at MHS--a 49-47 win at West Blocton, in February. Mr. Perkins also expressed appreciation to the athletes for "class" displayed in competition.

Bulldogs fall

Wilton's Blazers, headed by Anthony Staffney (MHS '71), defeated MHS's varsity basketball team by a 60-52 margin in a charity game Mar. 26.

The Bulldogs, led by Tim Jones (MVP) and J. J. Moore, received two trophies for their participation in the game.

All proceeds went to the Mt. Olive Baptist Church of Wilton for the purchase of choir robes.

'Dogs face local squads

Tonight the Bulldogs play the Calera Eagles at UM with Calera as host.

In their last meeting the 'Dogs had to come from behind to win 8-7.

Next Tuesday night at 7:00, the 'Dogs host the Jemison Panthers (5-2) at the UM field.

Thursday afternoon at 3:30 MHS visits Chelsea for the final sub-area game.

The Hornets, favored to take the title, hold a 13-2, five-inning victory over Calera, along with their 5-3 defeat of Montevallo. This game is a "must" for MHS.

Bulldog Grows--

Squad returns to sports field

by Lessie Gaddis

After a two year absence from the football field and the basketball court, MHS will have B-team cheerleaders again next year.

Over the last two years there was no sponsor so the squad could not exist.

The Bulldogs thank the 1982-83 sponsor Mrs. Clara Hawks for volunteering her services to the athletic program at MHS.

This will give the underclassmen the chance to participate in more extra-curricular activities before trying out for varsity squad.

We also thank varsity cheerleaders for holding tryouts for the B-team.

Again, thanks to Mrs. Hawks for bringing the squad back to MHS; we hope to make it a permanent activity for the Bulldogs.

Tourney set

The county golf tournament will be held at the UM course Apr. 13.

Teams competing will be Shelby County, Thompson, Shelby County, Briarwood, Pelham and Montevallo.



Weightlifters attain goals

MHS's weightlifting program is beginning to show results. Two Bulldogs who have gained strength are sophomores Jeff Chism and Barry Worthey. Both have recently benchpressed 275 lbs.

Junior Howard Gaddis is still on the move to overtake Coach Richard Gilliam. Howard is now up to 325 lbs., while Coach Gilliam still leads at 340 lbs.

Karate class gets big kick

Several MHS students are getting a kick out of Karate. Seven attend classes at Orr Park twice a week; two are enrolled in classes at Alabaster.

Senior Steve Wilkinson comments, "I've always been interested in the marshal arts."

"Karate is an enjoyable exercise," adds sophomore Meador McClanahan.

Others participating at the park are Jim Turner, Brian Morgan, James Carter, Jimmy Chism and Michael Staggs. They practice on Mondays and Thursdays under the teaching of Black Belt Karen Mitchell.

Audra Jones and Donald Jones are enrolled at the YMCA in Alabaster. Their instructor is Mr. Tony Evans.

At Vincent, Shelby--

Bulldogs lose openers

Montevallo Bulldogs opened the baseball season with losses to Vincent (5-3) and Shelby County (14-2).

Early in the Yellowjacket contest, the Bulldogs jumped to a 1-0 lead and were ahead 3-2 after four innings. Even with good pitching by senior Mike Peacock who allowed only four hits, the 'Jackets came from behind to win, chalking up only one earned run.

Leading hitters for MHS were two juniors, Ricky Dailey (3 for 3--a double and two singles) and Chris Wilder (2 for 3--including a triple). Ricky Burrell led the 'Jackets at the plate with a double and a triple in two trips.

In the 'Dogs' second game, Shelby jumped ahead 5-0 in the first inning and never let up. They won it in five innings, 14-2. Randy Lewis was winning pitcher; Ricky Dailey, relieved by Rick Gaddis, was loser.

"Two very questionable calls affected our team in the early going that could have made the game a lot closer," Coach Richard Gilliam remarked.

Team evens sub-area record

Montevallo is 1-1 in sub-area play after beating Calera 8-7 last Friday and losing to Chelsea 5-3 Tuesday.

Trailing till the fifth inning, the 'Dogs went ahead 7-6 only to see the Eagles tie the score in the top of the sixth. In the bottom of the sixth catcher Sammy Nix doubled to drive in rightfielder Trey Hughes to give MHS the lead for good. Hughes was on with a single.

Coach Richard Gilliam praised Ricky Dailey for his game-saving relief effort, Nix and Mike Peacock as offensive standouts, and Bobby Crowe, centerfielder, for a fine defensive performance.

Chelsea's ace pitcher Paul Kendrick held the 'Dogs to two hits while his teammates collected five off Ricky Dailey as Chelsea took a 5-3 win over Montevallo Tuesday. The Hornets scored twice in the first inning and MHS never caught up. Dailey and Fitz Williams got Montevallo's only hits. Larry Cork (2 for 3) and Scott Moore (3 for 3) were "big bats" for Chelsea.

Season brings spring mishaps

During this spring season, many students have suffered a variety of injuries from head to toe.

Sophomore Clyde Sailes was injured with a cracked ankle in spring football practice the day before the jamboree game. The night of the game, after taking over Sailes's position, junior Van Hawks received a jaw injury which required a series of muscle relaxers.

Teammates Ralph Towner and Quenton Smitherman also acquired foot injuries; but Quenton, along with sophomore Kelvin Thompson, who has a broken arm for a third time, got his from playing basketball.

Baseball player Kenny Pruitt is also added to the crippled list with a sprained ankle, as is sophomore Shan Davis who has a torn muscle and chipped bone. Ellen Arnold hops around on a broken toe.

Sophomore Benita Paschel and senior Tammy Layton both had pinched nerves in the neck, and senior Rex Wallace was hindered in baseball with a pinched nerve in the hip.

"I ache with them," says Principal Joe Perkins.

Old face 'hauntingly' appears

by Taylor Lawrence

With physics/math teacher Teresa Dollar on leave of absence to care for her new baby girl, a new, yet "old", face can be seen in his former room to care for Mrs. Dollar's school "babies." Like a ghost returning to his old mansion for one last look before departing this earth, Mr. Jim Hermecz, former math/chemistry teacher, "haunted" his room with dangling formulas and clanging humor.

After eight years of thought-provoking teacherhood, Mr. Hermecz decided to resign in the spring of 1981 to pursue his interest in civil engineering. Following a peaceful termination to high school duties, he began studies at the University of Alabama--Birmingham.

He studied diligently full-time, earning dean's list honors for all-A's twice. Then he was approached by a sanguine principal to replace Mrs. Dollar for a few weeks.

He dubiously responded that he would, calculating that his absence from UAB would not hamper his graduation date.

Reluctantly Mr. Hermecz proceeded with high school physics and mathematics.

After completion of the year's tedious lesson assigning, he will continue a career in civil engineering.

Tests now over

Yesterday, grades 9-11 completed testing that began Tuesday.

Freshmen took the Basic Competency Test, while sophomores and juniors took the California Achievement Test.

During these days of testing, seniors attended their regular classes.

Library Notes--

Teacher visits

by Michael Staggs

Librarian Melissa Garrett will attend the Alabama Library Association meetings Apr. 28-30 as a state officer.

She is the moderator of JMRT. "It's something like a president," she informs.

"I've been checking on film prices," says Mrs. Garrett. "We may have an opportunity to view a film-strip about Macbeth."

Today is the last day to order Troll Books.

To sponsor's delight--

'Montala' sent to publisher

Members of the MONTALA staff have completed and mailed one-half of the '82 yearbook. The 68 pages contained the "Opening," Senior section, Sports and the entire Classes sections.

Two more deadlines, May 1 and June 10, face the staff. According to Robyn Perkins, head of organizations, the next 45 pages will mainly contain organizations and the Ad sections. The last shipment, 33 pages, will include the student index, the senior directory and the closing section.

Sponsor Melissa Garrett notes, "I'm pleased with our progress. This is an excellent staff and I anticipate that the final two deadlines will be met as easily as the first two."

IMS News--

MMSers rank tops in tourney

by Gladys Brasher

Montevallo Middle School students excelled in level II competition at the Shelby County Math Tournament recently.

Steve Milstead was the county's top 6th grader; Kara Child, top 7th. Kara also was the third best overall. MMS came in second overall, with Riverchase placing first.

The Algebra I team defeated all the high school groups for highest honors in that competition.

All students will travel to UM's Palmer Hall to see the musical "Annie Get Your Gun" on Apr. 21.

California Achievement Tests were given to 6th, 7th and 8th graders on Apr. 6, 7 and 8.

On Apr. 16 the special education students, with teacher Suzanne Moore, will visit the Jimmy Morgan Zoo in Birmingham.



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At Lawson State--

Scholars take district

Montevallo's Scholars' Bowl team earned the 2A title in district play-offs Apr. 13. The competition, held at Lawson State Community College, was to decide the district representative for state finals May 5 at UAB.

MHS competed against Cordova, defeating the West Alabama school 320-125 and 240-115 in two rounds. The team was awarded a plaque; and each member, including sponsor Lusia MacPherson, received a certificate.

Team members who will compete with five other district winners May 5 at UAB are seniors Ellen Arnold, Dennis Beers, Beth Hughes, Taylor Lawrence, Anna Lott and Krislin Stewart.



"HERE'S HOW WE WORK IT"

School secretary Opal Long informs office aide Patricia Lesley of the procedure used to set school clocks "up" one hour.

Math team seeded 5th

Ranked fifth in the state after preliminary examinations, MHS math team received an invitation to final state competition May 8. The single elimination ciphering competition will be held at the University of Alabama-Birmingham.

Among the "big five" in the state in division 1, 2 and 3A are (in order): Jemison, West Point, Greenville, Homewood and Montevallo. They, along with 11 other teams will gather for state finals, May 8.

MHS has remained in the top group in competition all year. "This is quite an accomplishment," notes team member Taylor Lawrence.

"MHS has established a reputation as a prime contender," Taylor adds.

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Time jumps ahead

As April nears its end, MHSers will lose an hour of sleep. Sunday, Apr. 25, the "days" will be lengthened with the beginning of Daylight Savings Time.

Everyone should move clocks forward one hour at 2:00 a.m. on the last Sunday of this month. The nation will return to Standard time in October.

Exams arranged to aid seniors

Seniors will not have to report to school Thursday, May 27, when underclassmen will be taking fourth and fifth period exams, but will be rehearsing and preparing for graduation. Senior fourth and sixth period exams will be held Monday, May 24.

All students will have first and third period exams Tuesday, May 25, and second and fifth period exams May 27. "This is so the seniors will have a time for rehearsal," comments Principal Joe Perkins.

As stories are told--

Teachers aid in workshop

Yesterday, several MHS students and teachers participated in a story telling workshop held in the Carmichael Library on the University of Montevallo campus.

The program began with Dr. David Cech, folklorist and professor of children's literature. Mrs. Melissa Garrett participated in this session. She explained the techniques of telling stories, stories that are good for telling and how to select such stories.

Mrs. Kathryn Windham, author of The Thirteen Alabama Ghosts, directed a story-telling workshop yesterday afternoon. Several MHS faculty members and SPOTLIGHT reporters attended. Mrs. Windham is famous for her ghost tales and her resident ghost "Jeffrey."

Last night the film "On Being a Joines" was shown at Alabama Power Company. English teacher Barbara Belisle was on a panel discussion after the film.

The workshop, headed by Mrs. Sandra Lott was sponsored by UM and the Montevallo Public Library Board in recognition of National Library Week.

Bugs removed

Last Friday termites were discovered in the newest parts of the school--the bandroom and the auditorium.

Maintenance technician Arthur Cupp sprayed the area to eliminate the pests and he reports that the termites did only minimum damage to the stage, which was rebuilt after a fire in 1977.

Principal Joe Perkins says, "We were lucky to catch it early enough to rectify the situation."

Walk to help

Research for the cause and cure for diabetes in young people will benefit from the Walk-A-Thon sponsored by North Shelby Jaycees and the Juvenile Diabetes Foundation, April 25 at Oak Mountain Park.

Interested persons may pick up registration forms in the high school office today.

Class visits UM science lab

Senior Taylor Lawrence exhibited electrostatics and electromagnetism to high school physics students Tuesday in the University of Montevallo physics labs. He demonstrated apparatus he has used in connection with a university physics class he takes at 1:00 p.m.

Students witnessed the attraction and repulsion of electrically charged particles and bodies in a magnetic field. They also saw Taylor bend an electron beam in a strong field. Taylor comments, "It's hard to study theorem physics without seeing its application. Hopefully, this will help them to understand the properties they're studying."

Debbie receives beauty award

Junior Debbie Dailey was named Miss Delta in a beauty pageant sponsored by UM's Delta Sigma Theta sorority Sunday, Apr. 18. The event, organized by sorority president Anita Stewart (MHS '78) was held in UM's LeBaron Recital Hall.

Other participants from MHS were Donna Harris, Joyce Stewart, Debra Tyus, and Vicki Williams. The girls, judged on talent and modeling sportswear and dresswear, also took part in a group dance routine.

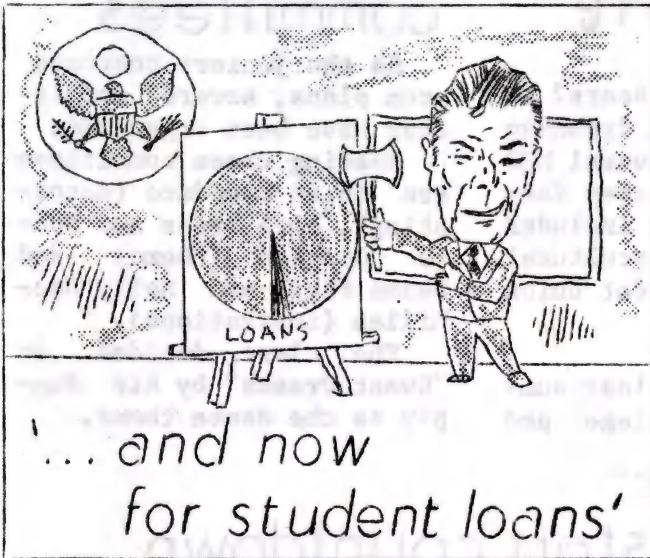
Joyce and Debra were both named Miss Congeniality, and Joyce was named 2nd runner-up. Donna was 1st runner-up. Each girl received a certificate of participation.

American theater play staged

Students and faculty saw 300 years of American theater in 45 minutes. "In Order of Appearance" was the play presented in the MHS auditorium Apr. 3 during activity period.

Arts Council of Shelby County sponsored the play, which was directed by Ron Harris.

EDITORIALS



Deadline poses threat

For decades our American dream has been secured by gaining an education, a job and retirement security. However, because of several new Reagan policies, some students will not get the opportunity to see a decent college education.

They were recently informed of a May 1 deadline--they must be enrolled in college fulltime by this date to apply for certain benefits. This sudden deadline will cause a strain in college expenses for those hoping to use Social Security benefits for further education.

It is totally cruel and unfair that students who planned to gain an education through federal help are now left without funds, inexperienced and unemployed when they graduate in May. More time should have been given students to reach the deadline.

Where will the leaders of tomorrow get their education? Where will those businessmen, scientists and dramatists get a decent education on short notice.

The main students to be hurt by this decision will be the class of '82. They were given no time to prepare for this sudden loss of funds. What will happen to them?

Player states dissatisfaction

Dear Editor,

On behalf of the MHS baseball team, I would like to express my disappointment in some of the Bulldog "fans" at recent home games. Continual bad-mouthing of the players by a few students has been very discouraging to the team.

Members of the baseball team work as hard as members of any other sport at MHS and also need the same spirit and encouragement from the fans.

I hope those "fans" who find it necessary to do the players this injustice can find it within themselves to act maturely and decently at the remainder of the games.

Baseball player Kenny Pruitt

Group thanks Mrs. Edfeldt

Staff members who attended the Communication Symposium last Friday express their appreciation to Mrs. Carolyn Edfeldt for making the trip possible.

Mrs. Edfeldt, a former SPOTLIGHT sponsor, not only paid the entrance fees for the five students, but also accompanied them to the meeting.

The trip would not have been possible if it were not for Mrs. Edfeldt. We thank her for her time and funds.

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At high school, college--

Student leads split life

by Gladys Brasher

Senior or freshman, which are you, Dennis Beers? As a senior at MHS, Dennis is also qualified as a freshman at the University of Montevallo. Although several MHS students have the double title, Dennis goes a step farther and lives the life of a college man. This includes working on a double major in English and intercultural studies, active membership in the Baptist Student Union and living in Napier dormitory.

Family moves

When Mr. and Mrs. Beers moved to Kentucky last summer, Dennis opted to stay here, enroll in college and graduate with his high school class, all at once.

As a high school student, Dennis takes college preparatory English, economics and publications. At UM he has a full load as a freshman.

He is a member of "Koinonia," a choral ensemble of the BSU, and plans to become a summer missionary, working with the Home Missions Board.

To travel abroad

He is in store for more traveling as his major at UM requires him to take two trips outside the US before he graduates.

With all of these plans and his daily college life, Dennis notes, "I have to keep making high school important."

When asked what was the main difference between the phases of his "split" life, he replied, "In high school, pressure is on you to be in a group; in college, people want you to be who you are."

Seniors tour

Yesterday approximately 40 seniors toured Nunnelle State Technical College at the invitation of director of student affairs Erskine Penton.

Class selects committees

As the juniors continue prom plans, several committees have been organized.

Heading these committees are Keith Studdard (decorating), Lori Weiss and Donna Glosson (theme) and Deana Floyd and Sally MacMillan (invitations).

The class decided on "Sweet Dreams" by Air Supply as the dance theme.

As May approaches--

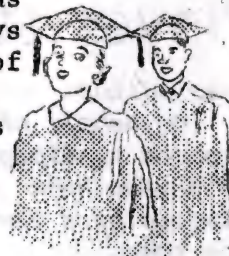
Seniors start countdown

Attention, seniors! The countdown has begun. There are only 24 more school days until commencement, but there are a lot of things to be done before the big day.

First of all, graduation announcements need to be sent out at least two weeks before May 27. All school fees and dues must be paid and thank-you notes need to be written for gifts already received.

Many important events are taking place during the month of May that the Class of '82 needs to remember. The prom is May 7 and Awards Day is the following Friday, May 14. Seniors will be taking their semester exams Monday, May 24, through Wednesday, May 26.

Graduation rehearsal is set for 9:00 a.m., Thursday, May 27; and then the main event, graduation exercises, will begin the same night at 7:30.



Past eras come to present

Time recently went back to the ages of Queen Elizabeth I and Julius Caesar in advanced English 10 class.

The class, taught by Mrs. Cathy Bearden, was studying "The Tragedy of Julius Caesar" written by William Shakespeare. Students were required to do a project from one of the two periods.

Susan Hardin brought back the past by baking and serving whole-wheat bread with butter, staples of the Elizabethan Age. Donna Harris also did some baking. She served white bread similar to that Queen Elizabeth ate, along with cheese, to the class.

Other projects included a sculpture of Jupiter, models of the Globe Theater and the Roman Senate, relief maps, a puppet show and a shadow box.

From battles to birds--

Scholars' Bowl questions vary

by Ellen Arnold

"What is the name of the location of a famous Civil War battle which is also a jogging male bovine?"

"The word is the same: A chemical quantity, a birthmark and a small burrowing mammal. What is the common name?"

"Ostrich, kiwi, penguin. All of these are birds which cannot fly, but which one has virtually no wings?"

Sound like a television quiz show? These and other questions are examples of what the scholars' bowl team members had to answer at the district Scholars' Bowl competition last Tuesday. (story p. 1)

Bowl now new idea

Although this is the first year MHS has participated in the Bowl, the competition is not as new as it may seem. Many schools in the area, including Montevallo Middle, Pelham High and Jemison High, have teams that compete. There are even divisions for college level Bowls, which go as far as the national level.

The game procedure in all divisions is much the same. The teams of four players each compete in a twenty-minute round.

Speed counts

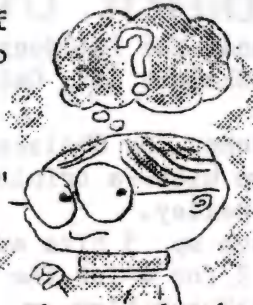
A toss-up question is given, and the first person to signal is allowed to answer. If the answer is correct, the team is given 10 points and allowed a chance at a 25- or 30-point bonus question.

If the toss-up answer is wrong, the other team is given 10 seconds to answer correctly. At the end of the round, the team with the most points wins.

Fun and experience

Whatever the questions, most team members agree that it is the fun and experience that are most important in the Bowl competition.

(For those who are interested, the answers to the questions are: (1) Bull Run, (2) mole, (3) kiwi.)



Hicks takes typing title

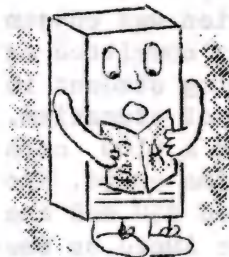
Rebecca Hicks, a 10th grader, was declared MHS typing champion last week as she completed the annual contest averaging 81 words per minute. Benita Paschel, also a sophomore, was second with 79 wpm.

In the Typing I division for girls, senior Mary Klemenc's 57 wpm was best, with Donna Glosson's 56, second.

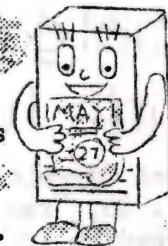
Sophomore Stanley Hopkins typed fastest among the boys, averaging 51 wpm, while senior Allen Thompson placed second with 46.

Locker Laughs--

'Bun fun' proves stale



A new six weeks
Is here, we know.
Not much more
Of school to go.
Tomorrow the Panthers
Come here to fight,
As Locker Laughs
Keep our days bright.



In college prep English, Mrs. Delilah Robinson was talking about one of her high school English teachers who always wore her hair in a bun.

"Wouldn't it mold?" Mike Peacock asked.

During 6th period class, Robbie Allen was studying for a US history test.

Senior Michael Boothe asked, "Do you have a test next period?"

Junior Donna Glosson commented, "Yeah, 7th period."

In 5th period economics as the class discussed events that shaped America's economic systems, teacher Don Benton would announce a date and ask what happened or what was invented at that time.

When he said, "1869," senior Krislin Stewart immediately yelled, "Biscuits."

During 3rd period economics, Mr. Benton asked, "Who makes up the white collar working force?"

"Priests," replied senior Kenny Pruitt.

In home stand--

3 local teams down 'Dogs

After a three-game home stand, the Bulldogs' record dropped to 1-5 as they lost to Chelsea 3-5, Calera 0-12 and Jemison 3-6.

Paul Kendricks, winning pitcher for Chelsea's Hornets, allowed the 'Dogs only two hits--a triple by Fitz Williams and a single by Ricky Dailey.

Dailey, losing pitcher, gave up 5 hits and struck out 12 Hornets. Larry Cork hit 2 for 4 for the winners.

Eagles deliver knock-out blow

Coming off a close game with the Hornets, the 'Dogs were knocked off in 5 innings, 12-0, by Calera's Eagles. "Boo Boo" Jones was winning pitcher, while senior Mike Peacock was tagged with the loss for MHS.

Jones allowed only five Bulldogs to reach first.

Jemison wins

In the 3-6 loss to Jemison, Dailey struck out 13, allowed 7 hits and walked 2. He got 2 of the Bulldogs' 6 hits off Tony Atchison, winning pitcher.

Greg Langston led Jemison hitters, going 2 for 4--both doubles.

Special games provide fun

Special Olympic Games held Apr. 13, "ran smoothly," according to student teacher Cindy O'Brien.

Approximately 350 students, chosen first by county meets in St. Clair, Wilcox, Shelby, Coosa and Bibb Counties participated at Fisher Stadium.

Approximately 100 winners now advance to state competition at Ft. McClellan in Anniston.

Ribbons were awarded to places 1-3 and for participation. Seventeen MHS students assisted with the event; 60 UM faculty members and students helped.

"The kids had a great time, says Coach O'Brien.

Student coach receives honors

Miss Cindy O'Brien, PE student teacher, received two top awards at the University of Montevallo's Honors Day, Apr. 8.

Miss O'Brien was chosen by a faculty committee as the outstanding student in the college of education. She received a \$100 cash tribute for the award. She also received \$50 and the Edythe Saylor Award as the outstanding physical education student.

'Dogs deserve MHS spirit

Despite the 'Dogs 1-5 baseball record the squad deserves school support. These players put in much time and hard work and we should help by displaying school spirit and pride during games.

Those who are disappointed in the season should give the players and coaches a chance to come around and get out of the slump. Perhaps it would help some to stop concentrating on whether we win the game but how well we play. With all the MHSers helping, players and coaches, instead of becoming discouraged when they lose, could build up their confidence and spirits and perhaps become a winning team.

17 make up flag corps

Members of the 1982-83 flag corps were selected last week after a week's clinic directed by last year's head Gretchen Riesenher.

The girls were required to learn to march, do basic pole maneuvers and perform a short routine. They were rated on strictness, attitude and how quickly they caught on to new materials.

Out of 29 girls going out, 17 members were chosen. Returning from last year are: Tina Compton, Deana Floyd, Sheila Jones, Aretha Paschel, Felecia Shockley, Pam Staffney, Julie Sutton and Tina Thompson.

New members are: Lena Eddings, Debbie Pruitt, Deborah Sailes, Nancy Shinnick, Penny Stoudenmire, Becky Thompson, Belinda Tripp, Lori Weiss and Jennifer Wilder.

Deana Floyd and Felecia Shockley were named co-heads. They are planning a doughnut sale as a fund raiser for the corps.



(Lessie Gaddis)

Team chosen

The volleyball squad for next year has been selected and is practicing, getting ready for the season next fall.

Varsity players are Fran Agee, Vanessa Bivens, Lisa Devinner, Venita Fields, Ellen Finley, Annette Fletcher, Lorene Gentry, Tabatha McCary, Aretha Paschel, Carol Paschel, Judith Towner and Vicki Williams.

Alternates are Cynthia Chapman, Donna Grayson, Tawana Kemp and Sheila Tripp.

Hornets win sub area-title

Chelsea Hornets, behind Paul Kendricks, slipped by the Bulldogs 7-4 for the second time this season last week at Chelsea, making the Hornets sub-area champs.

The 'Dogs made a real battle for it after the Hornets went ahead 4-0 in the first inning. Singles by Trey Hughes, Ricky Dailey and Bobby Crowe produced two runs in the second inning, and a triple by designated hitter Keith Moore and a sacrifice by Dailey got in two more runs in the fourth to tie the game.

In the bottom of the sixth, the Hornets added three runs to win.

Freshman centerfielder Hughes was MHS's leading hitter, going 3 for 4, extending his season average to .444. Dailey leads the team batting .455.

Dailey, losing pitcher, allowed only four hits.

Team places in track, field

Bulldogs' varsity track squad will compete in the county meet at Thompson Wednesday, with the JV team going to Briarwood, Tuesday. First and second place winners will compete in sectionals at Selma on Apr. 30 or May 1.

State Meet will be May 7 at Troy.

MHS track team took second place Apr. 15 in a tri-meet with Calera and Vincent at Calera. Vincent won first place.

Here's how they ranked in the events:

Lonnie Layton--2nd discus
2nd shot
Lessie Gaddis--2nd discus
2nd shot
J.J. Moore--1st high jump
2nd long jump
Jennifer Wilder--1st mile
2nd high jump
3rd 110 hurdles
Norman Grayson--1st 440 run
Lorene Gentry--2nd 440 run
Lester Arnold--Tied, 1st
100-yd. dash
Charita Agee--3rd 100-yd.
Jeff Chism--1st 220-yd.
3rd 100-yd
Bill Devinner--1st 880 run
Kevin Colley--3rd mile run
Van Hawks--2nd mile run

Varsity, B team face Brookwood

At 5:00 p.m. tomorrow, the Bulldogs' B team will play Brookwood's B's at the University of Montevallo. Immediately afterwards, MHS varsity and Brookwood will match up - approximately 7:00 p.m.

"Brookwood, a 3A school, is known for its strong athletic program" according to Coach Richard Gilliam.

On May 4, the Bulldogs host the Shelby County Wildcats at UM. Game time is 7:00 p.m. At the last meeting of the two teams, the Wildcats scratched the 'Dogs in 5 innings 14-2 at Columbiana. Coach Gilliam says he feels "Shelby County is one of the strongest teams in the county."

The B team has a second game scheduled at Buck Creek against Thompson, Apr. 26 at 4:00 p.m.

Gridmen look to summer work

Varsity football players have started working on the conditioning program for the summer.

PE plays ball

According to Coach Richard Gilliam, PE students will be working on fundamentals of softball as well as playing the game for the remainder of the year.

They will run during their phys ed period twice a week and lift weights five days a week.

They will do this until the end of school, then in the summer, they will come to the school twice a week to work out.

El-Mid News--

Counselor's visit aids students

by Gladys Brasher

MHS guidance counselor Colleen Colley will hold an orientation meeting for 8th graders at the Montevallo Middle School today. On Apr. 29, these students will come to the high school for a guided tour by National Honor Society members.

MHSers visit Symposium

Journalism students Ellen Arnold, Gladys Brasher, Jeff Gentry, Michele Readal and Mike Staggs recently attended an Art of Communication Symposium at South Central Bell Auditorium in Birmingham.

The trip was provided for and chaperoned by former SPOTLIGHT sponsor Carolyn Edfeldt.

Lectures were presented by Mr. Michael E. Bishop, communications vice president, Provident Life and Accident Insurance Co.; Mr. Yoshikisa Komori, Mainichi Newspaper correspondent from Japan; Mr. Chet Simmons, ESPA president; and Mr. Edward R. Cony, vice president for news, Dow Jones Co., Inc.

The group also viewed a slide presentation entitled "A Letter to Alabama."

"It was very educational and provided me an opportunity to meet many new faces," comments senior Mike Staggs.

"Be Kind to Animals Week" is the week of May 3 - 7. The Humane Society will present an assembly to each of the grades at MMS during the week.

"Fame," a musical history of music and dance, will be presented by Mrs. Ginger Kimbrell's enrichment class May 7.

Winners of the Montevallo Elementary School's 4-H Club contests have been announced.

Fifth grader Angie Gerber won first and classmates Tammy McKenzie and Cominita Pearson took second and third in the apron contest. Cominita won the pincushion contest.

Stephan Burke won the countywide poster contest.

In the fifth grade spelling bee, Todd MacPherson reigned champion, with Matt Draper as alternate.

From the Library--

Month gets share of movies

by Michael Staggs

May might bring flowers, but it's bringing movies to MHS as well. Seniors through freshmen will gain an opportunity to view films on their grade level.

Seniors and juniors may see the Roman Polanski version of "Macbeth" May 4 at 8:30 a.m., for \$2 at the Strand Theater downtown.

Sophomores will view "Julius Caesar," May 27-28, in their English classes for \$1. Freshmen will have a chance to see "Great Expectations," May 12, for \$1.

"I'm excited that these students have such an educational experience available," comments librarian Melissa Garrett.

Pupils finish geometry unit

Math instructor Doug Morris's 3rd period recently finished a unit on geometric constructions. To finish this unit, the students were required to do a term paper on various constructions.

The papers, on an average, consisted of around 20 constructions, ranging from bisecting an angle to constructing a square from a given angle. With each construction, there were the steps of construction and a justification for the construction.

Each paper was graded on the neatness, quantity and content of the paper.

Assembly set

Next Tuesday, Law Day, Mr. Steve Sears will speak to the student body.

His discussion will include the heritage of Law Day, the law system, and a "question and answer" session.



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With awards ceremony--

Day commends efforts

Mr. James Earl Davis (MHS '59) will speak at the 25th annual Awards Day, which begins at 9:30 on May 14. The Anniversary event will recognize the first three students to receive service awards. They are Mrs. Ann Poole Snow ('58), office manager, Liberty National Life Ins. in Montevallo; Mr. Leslie Harrison ('58), principal of Thompson Elementary School; and Mr. Davis.

As part of the special 25th program, other aspects of Awards Day will be recognized: Dr. Charles Gormley, first Awards Day speaker, and the late Mr. Guy Milford, founder of Awards Day and former MHS principal. Miss Susie DeMent, coordinator of the first Awards Day, will also head this year's event.

Program grows

Awards Day has grown from 42 citations at the first day to approximately 150 awards.

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Classes will sign

May 17 is the date underclassmen will register for the 1982 - 83 school year. "The registration will be similar to last year's," states guidance counselor Colleen Colley.

From a list of courses to be offered, students will work out schedules in homerooms. Classes will be called to the auditorium for students to register.

"All three classes will complete registration in approximately three hours," says Mrs. Colley.



PUTTING IT TOGETHER

Stage hands for "Rest Assured" prepare props for the production. (story page 2)

Math team readies for state

Seniors Taylor Lawrence, Robyn Perkins, sophomores Susan Hardin, John Hawkins, and freshman Michael Martin will participate in the State Math Tournament tomorrow at the University of Alabama--Birmingham.

The competition will consist of four rounds of single elimination ciphering matches. Teams will meet head on, battling for the right to continue in the contest.

Prom time's here

Tonight most juniors and seniors will dance the night away at the Sheraton Inn in Birmingham at the Junior-Senior Prom.

Music will be by Astrology for the third consecutive year.

The prom will last from 8 p.m. to midnight. (Directions to the Sheraton Inn are given on p. 4.)

The state match concludes the math tournament season. During the year the team placed fourth in the Austin, Huffman and Samford tourneys, second at Jefferson State, and first in the Shelby County contest. They are ranked fifth in the state.

The B team, competing in Algebra II, captured third place trophies at Wallace State and Huffman.

In SC election--

Machine adds extra touch

Elections for Student Council officers for 1982-83 will take on a real professional atmosphere as an actual voting booth will be used for the event May 13.

The booth, to be provided by the county probate offices is used in actual elections. Candidates' names will be placed by each lever, and MHSers will pull the lever of their choice during second period Thursday. SC president Beth Hughes is coordinating the election with the help of a committee of senior council members.

The voting machine will be set up in the auditorium and students will be called by grades to vote.

Candidates signed up to run Apr. 28-30. They were then approved by the faculty and their names placed on the ballot. Candidates for president are Robby Allen, Aretha Paschel, Chris Wilden.

Other candidates are: vice president: Keith Studdard; secretary, Donna Glosson, Sally McMillan; treasurer: Taylor Blackwell; Tracy James, Angie Pruitt, Keith Studdard.

Staff chosen for evaluation

Next year, MHS will go through an evaluation to remain an accredited school. Counselor Colleen Colley, chairman, and typing instructor Susie DeMent, recorder, will coordinate the study.

In addition to Mrs. Colley and Miss DeMent, the Steering Committee consists of history teacher Johnnie McClain and Principal Joe Perkins.

The faculty and staff will compose a book of a 10-year period, 1973-1983, to include all aspects of MHS life from the administration to curriculum.

The Southern Association of Colleges and Secondary Schools will make the evaluation.

Term ends early

Next year's school calendar shows two major changes for 1982-83. First semester will end Dec. 17, which is the same day students get out of classes for Christmas holidays.

The new semester will start when school resumes on Jan. 14.

There are three inclement weather days scheduled instead of two. These are Apr. 1, Apr. 22 and May 6.

The Shelby County Board of Education approved the calendar Apr. 27.

Pelham holds summer school

Students planning to attend summer school must send pre-registration forms and a \$10 deposit by May 22 to Pelham High School.

Fees for one semester of summer school, which is equivalent to one half unit, will cost \$30. A fee of \$60 is required for two semesters or one unit. The first semester will run from June 7 to June 25. On June 28, the second semester will start and last until July 16.

Students will be able to take any high school course as long as a minimum of 20 students register. In addition, if a minimum of 25 register, basic photography, typing, world history, creative writing and/or poetry will be taught. Hours are 7:45 a.m. to 12:00 noon. There will be three weeks in each semester.

No summer classes are scheduled at MHS. Due to a decrease of enrollment in Shelby County summer schools, only one school will offer a summer program each year as the county is financially unable to support three schools.

Group to perform 'Rest Assured'

"Rest Assured," a three-act comedy by Donald Payton, will be performed by MHS's drama club, May 18 at 7 p.m. Admission is \$1, students; \$1.50, adults.

The play tells the story of a stock exchange tycoon, "Money Mad Morlock," who is so stubborn he will not let his daughter marry the man she loves. The plot thickens as Lucifer, ghosts and a potentially unfaithful wife attempt to influence Mr. Morlock's viewpoint.

"I'm excited about the production. It's hilarious and the characters are unforgettable," says director Barbara Belisle. "The actors are doing an excellent job."

EDITORIALS



Mothers deserve holiday

With Mother's Day only two days away, each of us should take some time to think about what our mothers have done for us. In this modern day, mothers have many responsibilities. They have their families to care for and, in many cases, an outside job to hold down also.

Mothers make many sacrifices for their families--especially their children. Some of these we know about on a daily basis, but many others we never realize.

Mothers are "special" people and deserve our love. They sometimes receive very little help in their work and rarely even get a "thank you" from their children.

This year on Mother's Day, let's all tell our mothers how much we love them and how we appreciate all they do for us.

Even better, let's show them with our actions and help them for a change.

Term change brings praise

MHSers are glad to know that the first semester will end before Christmas next year. Students have always hated to study during the holidays.

It has always been difficult to come back to one week of classes and begin taking exams. This way, students can return to a new semester on Jan. 4.

"Thanks" goes to the County Board of Education for arranging the schedule in a way that is so beneficial to students.

Students act rudely

"Out, out, brief candle! Life's but a . . ." The classic Shakespearean line is drowned out by catcalls, laughter and obscenities. When the juniors and seniors attended the movie "Macbeth" last Tuesday, many students were unable to enjoy it or even comprehend the dialogue because of the rudeness of classmates.

Not only does this behavior present a bad impression of our school, it sets a poor example for underclassmen and also jeopardizes the chances of classes taking similar field trips in the future.

It is embarrassing that some juniors and seniors, the very people admired most by younger students, cannot conduct themselves as adults in a public place.

It is also unfair to the students of Calera High School who were at the movie and were well behaved, to be deprived in this manner.

Perhaps, this will serve as a reminder to students who find it difficult to control themselves to work for better behavior at upcoming assemblies.

With the Honor Society tapping, Awards Day, the band concert and the drama club's play all coming up, we will have a chance to exhibit our good behavior.

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Society to honor juniors

Tapping of new members into National Honor Society will take place next Tuesday. Juniors with an overall average of at least 85 and who have the social qualities of leadership, character, scholarship and service are eligible to be tapped.

The 9:00 a.m. candlelight service will take place in the auditorium with the entire student body attending.

Various honor society members will discuss qualities of NHS. New members will sign the membership register and receive NHS membership cards.

Awards-- (Cont.)

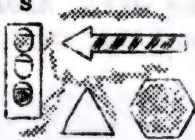
Awards include certificates for outstanding work in classes and/or organizations, athletic recognition and scholarship and academic honors.

Valedictorian and salutatorian will also be announced. Citizenship and sportsmanship awards include DAR Good Citizen, American Legion, Danforth Award, Rotary Citizen-of-the-Year, Good Sportsmanship and Theron Fisher Awards.

65 leads to prom

Tonight MHS's Junior-Senior Prom will be held at the downtown Sheraton in Birmingham. Directions to the hotel are:

Proceed on I-65 to the Third Avenue North exit. Exit there, pass the stop light, and turn left onto Fourth Avenue. The next left carries one to Third Avenue where the hotel is located.



Students get college hours

Seniors taking University of Montevallo courses completed finals this week before UM graduation tomorrow.

Eight MHSers received college credit for subjects ranging from differential equations to Western civilization.

Dennia Beers, Beth Hughes, Mary Klemenc, Taylor Lawrence, Anna Lott, Robyn Perkins, Gretchen Riesener and David Tishler will have a "head" start" going into fall college work.

Three others, Mike Boothe, Renee Hoop and Marilyn Cunningham are still attending classes at George Wallace State Community College in Selma.

Band to perform in concert

The Troubadours will present their annual spring concert Thursday, May 20, in the auditorium at 7:30.

The concert will feature several marches and songs. Selections include Salvation is Created, Chicago Tribune, Sea Pieces, Original Suite of Military Band and The Sound of Music.

The seventh and eighth grade bands will play several numbers also.

Next Wednesday, band members will give a patriotic program at Montevallo Middle School. Songs tentatively set are Chicago Tribune, Star Spangled Banner and Duty, Honor, Country.

Seniors ready for graduation

Seniors are preparing for graduation night with only 14 more school days remaining.

By May 21, all senior fees and debts must be paid. Caps and gowns will not be issued to any seniors who have not cleared all financial obligations.

May 27, seniors will meet in Palmer Hall at 9 a.m. for graduation rehearsal. Then they will assemble again in Palmer at 7 p.m. and prepare for the graduation ceremony, which begins at 7:30.

Stories told

Author Katherine Tucker Windham, recently headed National Library Week at UM library, as honorary chairman. Theme for the week was storytelling.

Selected speakers gave general tips on the subject. Several MHS teachers and students took part in the event.

"Mrs. Windham is an excellent storyteller. I enjoyed the haunting story," says senior Mike Staggs.

As Junior-Senior Prom attire--

Tuxedos, gowns add flare

by Gretchen Riesener

Tonight MHSers will display a variety of colors and fashions at the prom with a mixture of suits, tuxedos and formal gowns.

According to a survey of juniors and seniors attending the prom, the guys' most popular choice is black or white tuxedos. Other selected colors for tuxedos are gray, maroon, navy blue and brown. Also popular this year will be the addition of top hat, cane and gloves to the tuxedo.

Some of those surveyed will wear suits, with colors ranging from white to blue. The average cost for the male attire is \$50.

Dresses feature jackets

Dominating the girls' fashion for this year will be dresses with spaghetti straps and matching jackets made of silky nylon material.

Colors for this style are off-white as the most popular, with peach, burgundy and blue close behind.

Hoops are in

This year will also see the antebellum-style chiffon dress with a hoop skirt. Pink is the favorite color for this style.

Next in line were the chiffon pageant dresses, with colors ranging from yellow to lilac and blue.

Another selection for gowns was the simple cotton style dress with spaghetti straps made from white eyelet and offset with a floral pattern.

Average cost for the female attire, including shoes, is \$150.

According to the local florists, most girls will be wearing red rose corsages--some have chosen the silk roses. Guys will wear sweetheart roses in colors red, white and yellow with baby's breath.



Students give play reactions

After viewing "Macbeth" last week, several students had the following comments:

"Interesting, but confusing." (Angie Pruitt, junior)

"Horrifying." (Glenda Sailes, senior)

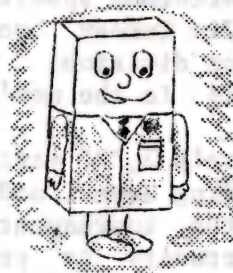
"It was a blood-thirsty movie." (Howard Gaddis, junior)

"I think it was nasty!" (Veeta Davis, senior)

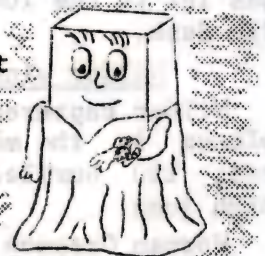
"I enjoyed it, since we had studied the play in college prep English." (Sammy Nix, senior)

Locker Laughs--

Tack brings pointed laughter



Tonight at the prom
As memories are made,
"Sweet Dreams shall float
And love never fade.
This joyous event
Will make us all happy
As Locker Laughs help
Keep our days snappy.



Senior Ellen Arnold told friends that someone put a tack in her seat during 5th period.

"How tacky," classmate Mike Staggs quipped, adding quickly, "she got to the 'point' of the matter."

While discussing an electric circuit in physics senior Jeff Gentry asked how to get the current at point 8 (represented I_8).

Instructor Jim Hermecz replied, "Are you sure you

don't want the potential drop in voltage?" (represented V_8).

When Jeff said, "No," Mr. Hermecz quipped, "Darn, you could have had a V_8 ."

Mr. Doug Morris was telling about making a casket for a man coming to the US in a plane. When asked if he were dead, Mr. Morris replied, "No."

Sophomore Mary Ann Hood said, "Well, he must be a mummy." "No," Mr. Morris said, "he's a daddy."

In track and field--

Group qualifies for state

Freshmen Fran Agee and Jennifer Wilder have a busy weekend ahead. Fran qualified in three events and Jennifer four at sectional tries last week, and both will be at Troy this weekend competing for state titles.

Fran competes in the 100-yd. dash, 220-yd. dash and the 440 relay. Jennifer will be competing in the mile, 110 hurdles, high jump and the 880 run.

Others to try

Others qualifying for state are: Lessie Gaddis (shot put and discus); J.J. Moore (high jump); Norman Grayson (440 and 220 dash); Bill Devinner (880) and Lorene Gentry, Lisa Devinner, Venita Fields and Agee (440 relay).

In the county meet on Apr. 27, the girls junior varsity captured 1st place overall, with a total of 42 points.

The 440-relay team took 1st, along with Agee who was 1st in the 100-yd. and 220 dash.

Wilder wins

Wilder captured all 1st places in the mile, 880 run, 110 hurdles and the high jump.

Norman Grayson took 1st in the high jump and the 440 dash, while Bill Devinner was 1st in the 880.

Others placing as high as 3rd place in the county events are:

Lessie Gaddis--shot put and discus (2nd)

Jeff Chism--220 (2nd)

Lester Arnold--220 (3rd)

Van Hawks--2 mile (3rd in AA)

Jeff Gentry--880 (3rd)

Coach Dot Bishop has been in charge of track, which ends its season with the state meet set for today and tomorrow at Troy.



Squad chosen

Majorette tryouts for 1982-83 were held Monday, after a week of clinic.

Candidates were evaluated by three judges on basic fundamentals, a march routine and an individual routine which they created themselves.

Second year majorette Susan Hardin was named to head the line. Others who made the squad are freshmen Michele Kelly and Paula Kimbrell.

Students attend tournament

Several high school students attended the Little Rock Taekwondo Tournament last week. They are yellow-belts Meador McClanahan, Jim Turner and Steve Wilkinson and white belts Michael Staggs, James Carter and Jimmy Chism. Under the instruction of Karen Mitchell (MHS '72), these students, along with 12 other Montevallo competitors went to the contest in Arkansas.

The yellow belts were allowed to free fight, while white belts performed specific sparring techniques.

Freshman Jim Turner brought home a trophy for 1st place in junior division. Senior Steve Wilkinson captured 2nd place in the men's yellow belt division for sparring.

Approximately 2,800 participants from across the nation, including Hawaii and South America, took part. "Sparring in the tournament provides a Taekwondo student an opportunity to prove his excellence in his field," Ms. Mitchell comments.

In basketball--

Bulldogs begin spring drills

For the first time in MHS basketball history, the Bulldogs are taking part in spring training drills. The spring work consists of three weeks of fundamentals, capped off with a jamboree game with the Thompson Warriors May 7.

In addition to the jamboree, the 'Dogs will also be competing in the AAU tournament May 7-8. They will compete against teams from Birmingham and Tuscaloosa.

Out for spring drills are Jeff Gentry, Taylor Blackwell, J. J. Moore, Mike Grayson, Ricky Dobson, Leslie Rutledge, Carl Rutledge, Mark Jones, Tony Haggins, Brian Morgan and Howard Gaddis. Coach Kurt Pnazek is in charge of the activity.

Errors costly to 'Dogs--

Thompson, Brookwood zap MHS

by Mike Boothe

Fielding and throwing errors continued to plague the Bulldogs as Thompson's Warriors and Brookwood's Panthers downed Montevallo 0-3 and 0-15 in recent games.

The Warriors defeated the Bulldogs at Buck Creek, taking advantage of three hits and three fielding errors. Junior Ricky Dailey, losing pitcher, struck out 10 Warriors and allowed only 3 hits. Freshman center-fielder Trey Hughes and junior second baseman Chris Wilder were defensive standouts for Montevallo.

More errors

Fifteen unearned runs gave the Bulldogs their eighth loss of the season as they fell to the Brookwood Panthers, 0-15, in five innings at UM last Saturday.

Senior leftfielder Bryant Staffney, on through an error, was the only MHS player allowed to reach first.

Pitching for the 'Dogs, Mike Peacock struck out 1 and allowed 9 hits.

Near perfect

Pitching the near perfect game for Brookwood's 3A Panthers was Lefty Reach.

B's lose

In their first game of the season, played as a preliminary match before the Brookwood game, the Bulldog B team fell to the Panther B's 6-14.

Senior Kenny Pruitt led the 'Pups at the plate going 2 for 3, one of which was a double. Sophomore leftfielder Keith Moore hit 2 singles in 4 trips.

Last week the B's suffered a second loss at Thompson. The Warrior B's took a 6-1 decision in a single game played at Buck Creek Park.

Trey Hughes was losing pitcher. He was relieved in the fourth inning by Ricky Gaddis.

Bulldog Growls--Track teams
earn praise

by Lessie Gaddis

After a year's absence from the track field, MHS varsity and junior varsity picked up where they left off.



Congratulations go to both these groups for fine performances in county and sectional meets last week.

Several JV members and two varsity members qualified to test their talents today and tomorrow at Troy State in the state track meet.

Thanks go to Coach Dot Bishop and the squads for taking the time to coach and train for these meets. It's good to have this sport back in the program.

Shelby wins big

Shelby defeated MHS 23-3 at UM last Tuesday.

SCHS's pitcher Ronald Benton had a one-hitter going as the Bulldogs came up in the fifth. Then Chris Wilder, Mike Peacock and Keith Moore hit safely before the high scoring bout was over.

County tournament nears

by Mike Boothe

University of Montevallo's Johnson Field will be the site of the Shelby County baseball tournament. First round games are scheduled for May 17 and 18; semi-finals, May 20; and finals, May 21.

Shelby County's Wildcats, a strong 3A contender, is favored to take the county meet with an 11-4 record. Probably the next best are Thompson's Warriors, a fundamentally strong team and also in the area playoffs for their 3A division.

Chelsea's Hornets and the Vincent Yellowjackets both won sub-area titles. Vincent's final sub-area victory was a 1-0, twelve-inning battle over Winterboro. Vincent defeated Chelsea in a best two of three series for the area title and advanced to the state playoff games.

Calera Eagles, with a not-so-impressive record, defeated the Bulldogs 12-0, then lost to them 7-8. Pelham, suffering much the same fate as MHS this season, won their first game two weeks ago defeating Pell City.

County tournament pairings will be decided May 12.

El-Mid News--

Students go to district meet

by Gladys Brasher

Six Montevallo Elementary School students participated in the district Social Studies Fair at George C. Wallace Junior College in Selma Apr. 24.

In separate divisions, Beth Brindley took 1st place; Mike Allen, 2nd; Valerie Herron, 2nd; Ky MacPherson, 3rd; and Amy Glosson, honorable mention.

These students will go to state later this year.

Fifty-six students made honor roll at Montevallo Middle School for the 5th six weeks.

On the A honor roll were 6th graders Britt Blake, Kara Child, Mary Dott, Lisa Lawley, Tracy McElroy, Karen MacPherson and Steve Milstead.

Seventh graders were Mike Hamilton, John Hardin, Glenda Lawley and Sheila Readal.

Eighth graders recently filled out schedules for their first year at MHS.

MMS will hold Awards Day May 14 in the gym.

MM Sers tour high school

Eighth graders from Montevallo Middle School visited MHS last Thursday to get acquainted with high school life. The visit was sponsored by MHS's National Honor Society.

An orientation session began the event with NHS president Gladys Brasher in charge. Principal Joe Perkins and NHS sponsor Colleen Colley made opening remarks. The session introduced various aspects of high school life, including sports, clubs, all-school events and the special awards.

Honor Society members conducted a short tour of the school which ended with refreshments in the lunchroom.

NHS members who spoke are Ellen Arnold, Gladys Brasher, Lessie Gaddis, Beth Hughes, Taylor Lawrence, Sammy Nix, Mike Peacock, Robyn Perkins, Ruth Perkins, Benjie Peete and Lloyd Pickett.

Practice starts

Next week the girls varsity volleyball team will officially begin practice.

Coach Dot Bishop notes, "The girls have been working on their skills in PE class for about a month, and they stay after school once a week for practice."

They will end the sessions when school ends in three weeks and resume again in August.

Concert dates set for spring

Central Alabama Music Park in Jemison will host "Concerts in the Country" featuring 16 shows with many well known country singers this year, and will host many more concerts of this type in the years to come.

The last two scheduled shows of the year, Oct. 8 and 9, will be a Blue Grass Festival highlighting over 10 bands that will perform each show.

Concerts scheduled are:

May 22-Glen Campbell
29-Conway Twitty
June 4-Mickey Gilley and Johnny Lee
18-Razzy Baily and David Frizzel-Shelly West
26-Ronnie McDowell and Jerry Clower
July 2-3-Alabama

Additional concerts have already been scheduled for late summer and fall. For more information, dial toll free: 1-800-292-4357 (Alabama residents only)

Library check-outs end today

by Michael Staggs

Librarian Melissa Garrett reports that today is the last day to check out books. Notices will be sent out for overdue and/or lost books.

"I'm glad students read, but I wish they would bring the materials back," comments Mrs. Garrett.

All books must be returned by May 21. Mrs. Garrett noted, "The library will be open for student research until the end of school. However, no books will be checked out except with special permission granted according to an individual's need."



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For Class of '82--

Final ceremony slated

NINETY-ONE SENIORS will be graduated in the annual ceremony May 27 at 7:30. Commencement will be held in Palmer Auditorium on the University of Montevallo campus with Principal Joe Perkins presiding.

Mrs. Marcia Sears, editor of the SHELBY COUNTY REPORTER, will deliver the keynote address. Mrs. Sears is chairman of the board of Alabama Press Association and vice president of WBYE radio in Calera. She is winner of numerous journalistic awards and holds the James M. Tingle Award for outstanding contributions to the community, presented by UM.

Perkins welcomes

Senior class president Robyn Perkins will welcome guests, followed by the valedictory address, "Immortality or Self Destruction," by Taylor Lawrence.

Rev. Albert Jones, pastor of Mt. Olive Baptist Church and father of senior Tim Jones, will give the invocation.

Morris introduces

Senior sponsor Douglas Morris will introduce the seniors with the awarding of diplomas by Principal Perkins. Organ music will be provided by Dr. Betty Louise Lumby, professor of music at UM.

Ushers will be chosen from National Honor Society's recently elected members.

A reception will follow in the MHS auditorium, coordinated by home economics teacher Junnie Craig.



SPEAKERS GET TOGETHER

Senior class president Robyn Perkins, commencement speaker Marcia Sears and valedictorian Taylor Lawrence plan graduation speeches.

At 25th Awards Day--

Speaker challenges for 'best'

APPROXIMATELY 285 CITATIONS were given at the 25th annual Awards Day last Friday. Awards went to adults for outstanding contributions to the school, to various school groups which represented MHS well over the year and to individual students for different accomplishments worthy of note.



WHAT A DAY!

Awards Day speaker James Earl Davis and coordinator Susie DeMent smile after ceremonies are finished.

Speaker for the event was Mr. James Earl Davis (MHS '59), who was winner of MHS's first Danforth Award. Basing his talk on the book I Dare You, by William H. Danforth, Mr. Davis challenged students to do their best at all times and to utilize their full potential.

"It takes courage to do your best," said the speaker; "anyone can follow the crowd."

Founder honored

Also included in the program were presentations
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NHS inducts new members

On May 10 at activity period the Montevallo chapter of National Honor Society held its annual assembly for induction of new members. Senior Gladys Brasher, president, was in charge. The ceremony consisted of speeches on the characteristics needed to become an Honor Society member and the traditional candle lighting ceremony.

Membership is open to juniors and seniors who have maintained an overall 85 average or better during high school, with no F as a semester grade. In addition to the scholastic aspects, potential members must measure up to the NHS qualities of leadership, service and character.

Eighteen new members were tapped. They are Sandra Brantley, Deborah Dailley, Jim Davidson, Ahrian Davis, Howard Gaddis, Renee Hoop, Tracy James, Terri Johnson, Mark Jones, Lois Lacey, Sally McMillan.

Aretha Paschel, Lynne Pickett, Keith Studdard, Meredith Walker, Lori Weiss, Pam White and Joy Williams were also tapped.

Students to take semester exams

Next week students will be taking final exams. The schedule is:

- May 24--(Seniors only) 4th and 6th period exams
- May 25--(All students) 1st and 3rd period exams
- May 26--(All students) 2nd and 5th period exams
- May 27--(9th, 10th and 11th grades) 4th and 6th period exams. Seniors have graduation rehearsal, 9 a.m.

Report cards will be mailed May 28.

Work day set

Tomorrow while students are at home studying for exams, MHS's teachers will be working. They will be making up a professional development day, cancelled because of January's snow.

According to Principal Joe Perkins, Alabama teachers must work 180 days for a school year. He says, "Shelby County's teachers will be one day short if we do not work tomorrow."

Teachers will begin the day with a faculty meeting at 7:30 and the rest of the morning will be spent in meetings and working in their rooms.

For summer credit--

Jemison to offer courses

Even though the Shelby County Board of Education is offering only one summer school program (at Pelham High), MHS students are also eligible to attend Jemison High School summer classes in Chilton County.

On June 7, students will meet in the auditorium at 7:00 a.m. to register for classes at JHS. Courses offered are: English 9-12, government and economics and United States history.

Students will attend class six days a week for five weeks. Each day will be divided into two sessions. The first class will begin at 7 a.m. and last until 10 a.m. Students who wish to take two semesters, can attend a second session which begins at 10 a.m. and continues to 1 p.m.

Cost is \$55 for a full unit.

Wilder wins presidency

Chris Wilder was elected president of Student Council for the 1982-83 school year in a runoff against Aretha Paschel on May 19.

The initial election was held May 13. At that time Lori Weiss was elected vice president and Sally McMillan was named secretary.

Tracy James was victorious over Angie Pruitt in the runoff for treasurer.

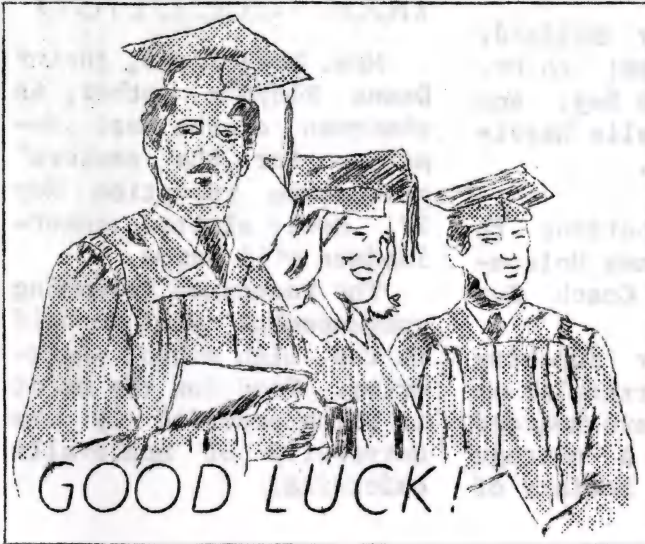
All new officers are juniors.

An actual voting booth, provided by Mr. Bill Tucker of the Shelby County probate office, was used in the election.

"We thank Mr. Tucker for his hard work in setting up the machine for us," comments Beth Hughes, retiring president.

New officers met with Beth Thursday to receive an outline of duties.

EDITORIALS



Future holds hopes

(Guest editorialist: Teacher Don Benton)

THE FACULTY AND STAFF OF MONTEVALLO High School join me in congratulating the 1982 Senior Class upon graduation.

Although you will be graduating in the worst economic year in the history of the United States since the Great Depression, we should not reflect on this but should realize that we live in a great nation which still offers unparalleled opportunities for each person.

But make no mistake, to grasp these opportunities and to achieve the success that each of you desires will take hard work and willingness to accept a full share of the responsibility of citizenship.

To believe that success can be easily achieved in the world of work and responsibility would only be deceiving yourself.

If we are to believe what we read and hear, the world's natural resources are fast being depleted.

We must never forget, however, that this nation has abundant resources available in the form of trained minds of young Americans.

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Parents due recognition

As May 27 approaches, serious minds are full of graduation, senior trips and college. However, there are people who have provided encouragement, support and inspiration for the seniors who deserve our appreciation.

Perhaps the most influential figures in our 12 years of schooling have been our parents. Starting with the 1st grade, they counted out our lunch money, walked with us to the bus stop, helped us conquer those impossible multiplication tables and listened to our world-ending problems. ("Mother, he doesn't like me.")

Now they are even paying graduation fees and pressing gowns. Certainly, parents have been a very important part of our education.

Others who should be remembered are our teachers, principals and counselors. Looking back over the years, there are several who stand out. These are the ones who truly care about the students; who make an effort to teach their pupils not only about the subject, but about the meaning and ideals of life, as well.

Appreciation goes to these adults who, through their own lives, have set such shining examples for their students.

Others who have been helpful through the years are our churches, ministers and friends.

To all of these, the seniors are indebted for helping us to successfully complete the first 12 years of our education.

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Speaker challenges -- (Cont.)

to Mrs. Anne Milford, wife of the late Mr. Guy Milford, former principal and founder of Awards Day; to Dr. Charles Gormley, speaker at the first Awards Day; and to Mrs. Ann Poole Snow, Mr. Davis and Mr. Leslie Harrison, recipients of the first "service" awards.

Adults recognized

Adults honored for outstanding contributions to the school were Mr. Calvin Coleman, Mr. Johnny Holsomback, Mr. Jimmy Lawrence, Dr. Mike Mahan and Coach Sue Wilson.

Individual student awards were given for superior work in academics, athletics and extra-curricular activities. Those with all-A's for one year were awarded academic letters, and seniors with an overall A average received certificates of membership in the Society of

Distinguished American High School Students. Scholarship winners were also recognized. (Story p. 8)

Rotary Award

Other special awards and their recipients are: Rotary Citizen of the Year, Patricia Lesley; DAR Good Citizen, Ellen Arnold (runner-up Sammy Nix), Theron Fisher Award and Good Sportsmanship Trophy, Sammy Nix.

Boys and Girls Staters, Howard Gaddis and Ahrian Davis.

Valedictorian and salutatorian, Taylor Lawrence and Robyn Perkins.

Danforth Award, Sally McMillan and Jim Davidson (runners-up, Deana Floyd and Mark Jones); Arion Award, Jim Davidson; John Philip Sousa Award, Ellen Arnold.

American Legion Awards, Ellen Arnold and Sammy Nix (honorable mention, Robyn Perkins and Kenny Pruitt).

The program was coordinated by Miss Susie DeMent who has organized Awards Day for all 25 years. Presentations were made by Principal Joe Perkins.

Mothers help host reception

Mrs. Vera Floyd, junior Deana Floyd's mother, is chairman of the host committee for the seniors' graduation reception May 27. Newly elected cheerleaders will serve.

The reception following commencement will be held in the high school auditorium. Food for the event is being provided by the University of Montevallo cafeteria.

Pictures reveal success

(Identification of pictures p. 5)

(1) ANCHORS AWEIGH--CDR John T. Natter, USNR-R, presents senior Taylor Lawrence his appointment to the US Naval Academy while his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Jimmy Lawrence look on.

(2) SCHOLARSHIPS AWARDED--Nine seniors who were offered scholarships are: (back) Michael Boothe, Mike Peacock, Sammy Nix, Taylor Lawrence. (Front) Gretchen Riesener, Robyn Perkins, Lessie Gaddis, Anna Lott and Ellen Arnold.

(3) SOLID CITIZENS--Seniors Ellen Arnold and Sammy Nix were named by the faculty for the American Legion Awards. Seniors Kenny Pruitt (seated) and Robyn Perkins (not shown) received honorable mention.

(4) A-1 STUDENTS--Bert Lott was the only freshman to earn all A's this year and Susan Hardin the only sophomore who has A's for two straight semesters. Juniors Keith Studdard and Ahrian Davis also earned scholastic letters for grades of A in every subject for one year.

(5) DANFORTH WINNERS--Runners up Deana Floyd and Mark Jones read the I Dare You book with Danforth winners (center) Jim Davidson and Sally McMillan.

(6) A LOT OF HANDSHAKING--Principal Joe Perkins gave congratulations and a handshake with each award.

(7) TOP SCHOLARS--Robyn Perkins and Taylor Lawrence received salutatorian and valedictorian honors.

(8) GIRLS-BOYS STATERS--Juniors Ahrian Davis and Howard Gaddis will be MHS's representatives at Girls and Boys State this summer.

(9) GOOD CITIZEN--Patricia Lesley won the Rotary's Citizen-of-the-Year plaque.

(10) DISTINGUISHED STUDENTS--Eleven seniors maintained a 90 or better grade average during their high school years. (Story p. 8)

Students honored for accomplishments





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Who is who in '82

Favorite seniors of the Class of '82 were named to the Who's Who list, and their pictures will be placed in the MONTALA. Students were nominated and selected by their classmates.

Those named for the different "titles" are: Best All Around--Beth Hughes, Sammy Nix; Best Dancers--Glenda Sailes, Andrew Cathy; Wittiest--Mary Chism, Jesse Holsomback; Best Looking--Tanya Staffney, Michael Boothe; Class Chatterers--Deborah Davis, Frank Chapman; Most School Spirit--Connie Harris, Fitz Williams.

Also named are: Most Valuable to the School--Joyce Stewart, Kenny Pruitt; Most Dependable--Mary Klemenc, Terry Cottingham; Best Dressed--Phyllis Moore, Durward Tolbert.

Others chosen are: Most Athletic--Debra Tyus, Tim Jones; Most Likely to Succeed--Lessie Gaddis, Taylor Lawrence; Friendliest--Ruth Perkins, Mike Peacock; Most Talented--Ellen Arnold, Paul Spicer.

These awards were announced in a special senior assembly in the lunchroom shortly after the selection.

Seniors say, 'Florida or bust'

As seniors approach the final days of high school life, many decisions will have to be made. For one--"Where to go for the traditional senior vacation?"

The majority of the seniors will be heading to the sandy beaches of Florida--Panama City, Pensacola, Fort Walton, Destin and Orlando.

Seniors will take vacations for different reasons. Greta Riesener heading for Fort Walton--"It will be full of Florida guys."

Jesse Holsomback, in route for Panama City--"It's gonna be a killer."

Some seniors will be going to Six Flags over Georgia. "A welcomed rest," Ellen Arnold says.

Meanwhile, others will go in opposite directions, Darlene Bolling will go to California and Connie Harris, Washington. Sammy Nix concludes, "It's gonna be a wild vacation."

Future-- (Cont.)

It is predicted that our nation will lose over 15 million jobs within the next two decades. Other jobs will appear, but these will require technological abilities far beyond anything the average American can visualize today. I firmly believe that you can and will, by continuing to learn, be prepared for these changes.

Graduation from high school, while wonderful and exciting, is only a small step. Your education must continue in the years ahead whether you are on a campus, on a job, or in one of the armed services.

While our nation faces serious economic problems, an educated nation promises a bright and exciting future for those individuals who continue to learn, are firm in their resolve and dedicated to sound principles.

Each and every one of you will encounter both failures and successes, both happiness and despair.

I am confident that you will rise above the despair, overcome the failures, meet the challenges and grasp the opportunities that await you in the coming years.

Mixed group sets precedent

This year's seniors, both black and white, are the first to attend grades one through twelve together since integration began in the fall of 1969. Part of these students went to kindergarten at Almont Elementary, now a Day Care Center. Others went to kindergartens in Montevallo before they started the twelve years.

"We've always gone to school together, so I can't imagine it any other way," notes Gladys Brasher.

"God made us all equal, and I'm glad we could be educated together," states Debra Tyus.

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12th graders influence drama

As the saying goes, "All good things must come to an end;" and so it is with senior drama students. They have recently completed their last production, "Rest Assured." Seniors featured in the cast were Ellen Arnold, Darlene Bolling, Gladys Brasher, Mary Klemenc, Taylor Lawrence, Anna Lott, Benjie Peete and Michele Readal.

Senior Ruth Perkins was in charge of stage managing, with Gladys Brasher assisting with props.

Long record of acting

These students have a long record of active membership with the drama club, most having participated since their sophomore year. A variety of Christmas plays, along with comedies and dramas have been performed.

Productions include "The Christmas Miser," "Bats in the Belfry," "The Forgotten Gift," "Tell Me that You Love Me, Junie Moon," "Gifts of Myrrh," and "Rest Assured." The group also presented a one-act play in competition in Birmingham for the first time, "The Storm."

All productions were under the direction of speech/drama teacher Barbara Belisle.

They also serve--

Cast and crew, however, are not the only students to be recognized in the drama club. Make-up personnel play an important role in preparing for these productions.

Seniors Darlene Bolling and Patti Holsomback contributed much time "creating" new characters.

Tradition prevails--

Class receives grad attire

by Beth Hughes

"Cap and gown . . . You look so lovely in your cap and gown." Seniors at MHS became quite familiar with those lyrics this week as graduation attire was distributed. The color is the same as in years past, royal blue. The girls have white collars and the boys will be wearing ties. The mortarboards are also the same shade and are adorned with an orange and blue tassel. Honor Society members will be recognized by yellow cords.

Girls should wear white dresses and dark shoes with heels. In addition to the ties, the males wear dark trousers, light shirts and dark shoes.

Miniature diplomas will be given to the seniors when they return their caps and gowns after graduation.

Diplomas show school picture

Seniors of '82 will receive traditional diplomas. They are royal blue with Montevallo High School, Montevallo, Alabama, printed in gold lettering on the cover.

The inside is lined with orange, featuring a picture of MHS on it.

The diplomas will be signed by the chairman of the Board of Education, Mrs. Barbara Whitman, Superintendent Charles Knowles and Principal Joe Perkins.

Seniors express feelings

With school drawing to a close and summer approaching, graduation is becoming more of a reality to the seniors. Some of their feelings are: "Finally, I'm through."

--Kevin Roberts. "I'm finally going to get to see what the world is all about."--Connie Harris.

"I have come to the end of the beginning."--Tim Jones. "I'll miss the friends I'll be leaving; but, boy, am I glad it's here."--Greta Riesener.

"I can't wait."--Andrea Roth. "I have no sentiments."--Willie Sables. "I want to go to college now."--Paul Spicer.

"It will please me to begin looking forward to a bright future." -- Steve Wilkinson.

42 will continue schooling

With commencement almost here, seniors are looking toward their futures with various avenues of life in mind. Some will continue their education, some will join the armed services, some will enter the work forces and some will declare vows of matrimony.

Forty-two future graduates will be entering institutions of higher learning this summer or fall. The University of Montevallo will admit the most MHS graduates, claiming 18.

Seniors Taylor Lawrence and Anna Lott will be the only ones to travel to out-of-state schools. Taylor will join the midshipmen class of 1986 at the United States Naval Academy in Annapolis with a \$125,000 scholarship. Anna will reside in Atlanta, attending Emory University with a renewable \$3,000 scholarship.

Auburn University claims five seniors over the University of Alabama's four. Thirteen others will study at various Alabama institutions, including Jacksonville State, Walker, Nunnelly and Alabama A and M, Montgomery.

Montevallo will be represented in every branch of the service, with 11 men and women enlisting.

Five senior women will join their sweethearts in matrimony after the graduation exercises.

The rest of the seniors will join America's work force, contributing their labor to various occupations from truck driving to nursing.

Seniors count

Two-thirds of the seniors' lives have been spent in school. Some will make the ratio even larger.

Looking back over the years, seniors can breathe a heavy sigh...12 loooopng years...6,307,200 loooopng minutes.



Fall pick-up set

Seniors who ordered yearbooks may pick them up in the library during the first week of school next September.

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Distinguished students--

Students named to society

Eleven seniors will be graduating with highest honors next week as they have achieved a 90 or better average for their four years of high school. These same people have also been named to the Society of Distinguished American High School Students.

Names on the list are Mike Peacock (90.51), Kenny Pruitt (90.57), Anna Lott (90.9), Gladys Brasher (91.8), and Mary Klemenc (92.14).

Others honored are Beth Hughes (92.70), Ellen Arnold (93.48), Jeffery Gentry (94.59) and Krislin Stewart (95.0). Robyn Perkins was named class salutatorian with an average of 96.70; Taylor Lawrence, with an average of 96.93, was named valedictorian.

The students were honored at Awards Day and each was presented a certificate of recognition.

Seniors earn 16 scholarships

Over 12% of the senior class has been awarded scholarships. These recipients are: Ellen Arnold--renewable Honors and General Music to University of Montevallo.

Dennis Beers--Freshman Honors, University of Montevallo; Michael Boothe--one semester tuition to Jacksonville State; Lessie Gaddis--Athletic to UM; Lawrence Greene--Music to Alabama State.

Taylor Lawrence--Naval Academy appointment, National Merit, Westinghouse Family, and several others.

Anna Lott--Faculty to Emory University, General Music to Birmingham Southern and to UM.

Sammy Nix--Army ROTC; Mike Peacock--\$1,000 to Livingston; Robyn Perkins--Valedictory to UM; and Gretchen Riesener--Columbiana Kiwanis Club to UM.

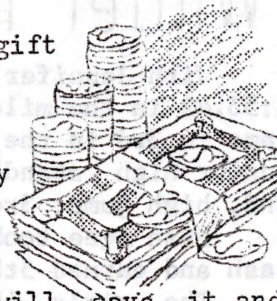
Counselor Colleen Colley says, "These scholarships are a real celebration."

Graduates describe gifts

by Tammy Layton

Money has always been a popular gift among high school graduates. The majority of this year's seniors find it even more so true.

Finding ways to spend their money does not seem to create a problem. Several plan to use the "gifts" on a trip to Florida, while others will purchase clothes and luggage. Some will save it and use it later in their future college plans.



Jewelry is also a popular present among the graduates. Gold chains, add-a-bead necklaces and bracelets are just a few examples of what some are receiving.

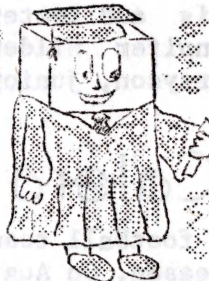
Others will be enjoying improved sound systems. Graduation presents of new receivers, speakers and equalizers will modernize their stereo equipment.

Senior Mike Boothe received a gift of \$66 from his employer Mr. "Sonny" Lawley. Why \$66? Two cents for every day of school he has attended since first grade!

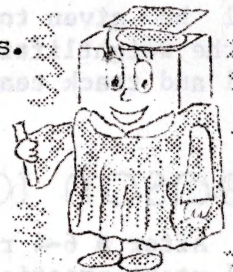
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Locker Laughs--

Car troubles provide laugh



School days are over,
And that's how it goes.
Graduation approaches
And each senior knows
A new future lies
Ahead on the horizon,
As Locker Laughs help
Keep laughter risin'.



During 6th period publications, senior Paul Spicer was telling librarian Melissa Garrett that the clutch on his car was broken.

"Well, that's the breaks," she quipped.

Recently when six MHSers traveled to Arkansas to participate in a karate tournament, sophomore Meador McClanahan noticed "a funeral home for sale."

"Yeah, business must be dying," remarked Michael Staggs.

Parties finish year's activities

Seniors, as well as other groups, are ending the year with celebrations.

The senior class is planning a picnic at Orr Park after graduation rehearsal next Thursday.

Sponsor Colleen Colley's lakehouse was the site of the honor society's party last Saturday. "It was a great way to end the year--mega fun," says NHS member Patricia Lesley.

The band will have a party at the college lake tomorrow. Members attending will pay a \$3 fee; the band boosters will take care of the remainder of expenses.

Seniors select their favorites

Seniors recently expressed their likes and dislikes in a survey.

The majority of the Class of '82 agreed that Mrs. Barbara Belisle was the favorite teacher during their high school days and their most liked subject was democracy/economics with Mr. Don Benton.

Other favorites were: Food--Pizza; Drink--Mountain Dew; Car--Corvette; TV Show--Dynasty; Movie--Porky's; Color--Blue; Hang Out--Scoreboard; Candy Bar--Snickers; Place to Eat--Jack's; Song--"I Love Rock and Roll;" and Musical Group--"Alabama."

Family living students went to town to buy squash for a project in the food class. As they were returning to school, talking about their dish, senior Chuck Killingsworth noticed an oncoming truck.

He yelled, "If you don't get out of the road you're gonna' be squashed."

After Anna and Bert Lott had received their awards on Awards Day, senior Kenny Pruitt made the comment, "They look a lot alike."

Volleyball schedule set

Here's 1982 varsity volleyball schedule:

Sep. 7	Calera-Chelsea	H
9	Vincent	T
14	Jemison	H
16	Childersburg	T
21	Bibb Co.-Holt	T
23	Clanton	T
28	Bibb Co.-Pelham	H
30	Chelsea	H
Oct. 4	Pelham-Vincent	H
5	C'sburg-Clanton	H
7	Thompson-VHS	T
14	Jemison	T

Club plans party

Athletic boosters will host the Spring Sports Outing at Chris and Jennifer Wilder's home, Wilderwood Farms, beginning at 4:30 p.m. next Tuesday.

After an afternoon swim and a picnic supper, awards will be given to members of the weightlifting, baseball and track teams.

Wins 1st in mile--

Wilder leads track team

With Jennifer Wilder setting a new state record of 5:56.42 in the mile run, MHS's junior varsity squad came in 3rd in the state meet at Troy on May 7-8. The junior high standout received three medals--1st, mile; 2nd, high jump; 3rd, hurdles.

Fran Agee took a third place medal in the 100-yd. dash and earned 5th place in the 220-yd. dash.

The girls 440 relay team came in 4th in their event.

Vincent's Sabrina Kidd broke the discus record with a distance of 114'5". Lessie Gaddis was 5th in this competition.

In the boys' division, Bill Devinner placed 7th in the 880; and Norman Grayson took 4th in the 220-yd. dash and 5th in the high jump.

Most valuable player awards were presented at Awards Day in both varsity and junior divisions at MHS. Varsity winners are Lessie Gaddis and Lester Arnold; Jennifer Wilder and Norman Grayson, junior.

'Dogs lose last games

by Mike Boothe

Errors plagued the Bulldogs as they dropped their last three regular season baseball games--all played at UM's Johnson Field.

In their 23-3 win over the 'Dogs, Thompson belted 16 hits off Junior Ricky Dailey.

Panthers pour it on

Pelham's Panthers gave MHS another big loss, 21-2. Mike Peacock, losing pitcher, gave up only six hits, but errors afield marred chances for a win.

Jackets win

Holding the Area winner Vincent to a closer 6-10 loss, the Bulldogs still couldn't pull off a victory.

Junior second baseman Chris Wilder got the biggest hit of the night for the 'Dogs--a double.

David Shaw was winning pitcher; Dailey, loser.

Coach Richard Gilliam, though disappointed in the season, says, "The losing record doesn't reflect the character of the young men on the team; they're all a pleasure to work with."

Season to open with Calera

After a 6-4 record last year, MHS's football team will start practice Aug. 2 for the 1982 season. On Aug. 5 they will use pads and, starting Aug 10 will hold two practices a day. The Bulldogs will have night scrimmages from Aug. 17 until opening night, Aug. 26.

The squad will play ten games with no open date.

The schedule is:

Aug. 26	Calera	T
Sep. 3	Francis Marion	T
10	Shelby Co.	H
17	Thompson	H
24	Chelsea	T
Oct. 1	Jemison	T
8	Vincent	H
15	Winterboro	H
22	B. B. Comer	T
29	West Blocton	H

The West Blocton game will be Homecoming.

'Dogs fall early

Playing in the opening game of the Shelby County baseball tournament, Tuesday, the Bulldogs lost to Pelham 2-9.

Junior Chris Wilder got a double and a triple to lead MHS hitters. Junior Ricky Dailey was losing pitcher.



A LOT OF SERVICE

Senior athletes show off plaques, trophies and certificates they received during Friday's ceremonies.

Bulldog Grows--

Grads spur future 'Dogs

by Lessie Gaddis

As senior athletes end their high school careers, we congratulate them on their accomplishments.



These students have put forth much effort; and it is good to have such a prominent group who are willing to make the grades and sacrifices necessary to participate in sports.

These seniors, recognized at Awards Day, offer a challenge for those to come. Hopefully, underclassmen will strive to carry on the tradition this group has upheld.

MHS wins weightlifting title

For the first time in seven years, the MHS weightlifting team has won the Shelby County title.

Howard Gaddis led the 'Dogs to victory May 13, at MHS, benching 142 pounds over his body weight. Montevallo won with 778 points, edging the Thompson Warriors with 769. Shelby County picked up 619 points.

Athletes' service noted

AT AWARDS DAY, SENIORS received plaques denoting their athletic service. To be eligible for the plaque, a senior must take part in at least one sport his/her senior year and have at least one other season in a competitive sport.

The plaque lists all sports in which the senior has participated and the years of participation. This year's senior athletes include Charita Agee (basketball, track); Michael Boothe (football, baseball); Mary Chism (volleyball, basketball); Lessie Gaddis (volleyball, basketball, track); Steve Glosson (football, basketball, weightlifting).

Glenn Hamrick (football, weightlifting); Jesse Holsomback (football, basketball, baseball); Tim Jones (football, basketball); Chuck

Killingsworth (weightlifting, football); Sammy Nix (football, weightlifting, wrestling, baseball); Mike Peacock (football, basketball, baseball); Ruth Perkins (basketball); Lloyd Pickett (football, weightlifting).

Kenny Pruitt (football, baseball); Bryant Staffney (football, baseball).

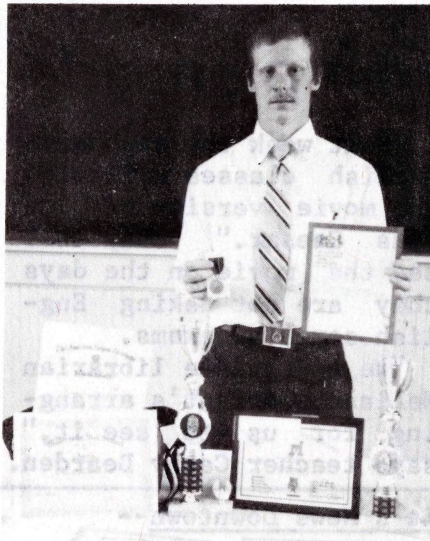
Tanya Staffney (track, basketball, volleyball); Joyce Stewart (volleyball); Allen Thompson (football, weightlifting); Eric Tolbert (basketball, football); Debra Tyus (volleyball, basketball).

Rex Wallace (football, weightlifting); Fitz Williams (basketball, football, baseball).

County honors 'stars'

All-County Sports Banquet will be held tomorrow night at 7:00 in Chelsea cafeteria. Former Alabama football star Keith Pugh is guest speaker.

Male and female members of all-county teams in all sports and state qualifiers in cross-country will be honored.



BIG WINNER

Sammy Nix, senior athlete whose plaque shows 10 "seasons," displays the American Legion Medal, Theron Fisher Award, Sportsmanship Trophy among other awards he received.

He was cited, too, for work in FFA, having served that organization for two years as president.

Unit ends with field trip

To finish a study on Japan, the 4th grade at Montevallo Elementary School will travel today to the Museum of Art in Birmingham. Their teachers and some parents will accompany the group.

Ky MacPherson, 5th grader, won 1st place in the county math tournament.

Tomorrow from 9 a.m. to 12 noon, 1st grade teachers will meet with parents of children who will enter that class next fall.

May 19 was Appreciation Day at MES for parent volunteers. These parents have been working at the school doing things from helping out in the sick room to working on the new playground.

Fifth graders visited the middle school May 18.

Mrs. Betty Edwards, assistant MES principal, commented, "Every child was a winner" at the annual Track and Field Day May 7.

Today the National Junior Honor Society of Montevallo Middle School will travel to the Jimmy Morgan Zoo in Birmingham with their sponsor Mrs. Emily Pendleton.

Armed Forces Day was recognized by the student body May 12. The MHS symphonic band provided music and speakers included SC president Stacy Hedricks; NJHS members Cynthia Pickett and Stephanie Mann; and Boy Scout Jonathon Grimes.

Montgomery will be the destination of the 8th grade class on the last day of school, May 27.

Teacher Jill Snyder planned the trip for the group and will accompany them on the outing.

Yesterday, 6th graders visited Moundville State Park in Moundville.

Film planned

Next week the sophomore English classes will view the movie version of "Julius Caesar." They will see the movie on the days they are not taking English semester exams.

"We appreciate librarian Melissa Garrett's arranging for us to see it," says teacher Cathy Bearden.

It's News Downtown--

Park offers summer fun

The Montevallo Park and Recreation Board invites anyone interested to join its volleyball league. Practice begins June 1.

The park building will be open on Friday and Saturday nights for pinball, video games, music and dancing.

Either a local D.J. or one from WKXX will entertain at the first Disco on June 4. Admission is \$1

Schedule set for summer

Even though school is almost at an end, there are still important summer dates to remember.

Summer school, which will be held at Pelham High School this year, will have two sessions. The first is from June 7-June 25; the second runs June 28-July 16.

Jemison's summer school is from June 7 to July 10.

Cheerleader practice will begin June 8 and the girls will attend a cheerleading clinic at Birmingham Southern July 26-29.

Flag corps members report to a clinic at UM July 5-8.

On Aug. 4, the football team begins summer practice; the Troubadours start about one month prior to the opening of school. Majorettes also begin practice in August.

The 1982-83 school year begins Aug. 23.



for couples and 75¢ for singles according to park director Bill Vann.

The YMCA in Alabaster has a special summer program. It includes classes in slimnastics, gymnastics, aerobics and karate.

A day camp for children and a swim program are also being offered. Questions can be answered by calling 663-6504.